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S'HA! POLICE FIRE ON STRIKERS

Three Women Killed And Many Injured On Both Sides Tanks, Riot Vans Turn Out

Shanghai, Feb. 3. Three women were killed and more than 60 injured in a pitched battle between 500 Shanghai policemen and 7,000 labourers, barricaded in the big Sung Shing Cotton Mill, yesterday. The workers surrendered on masse after wild gunfire by both sides, ending their four-day sitdown strike inside the factory. The dispute started over demands for a New Year's bonus.

Two women were trampled to death and another was killed in a fall from the top of the three-story building. About half of the 7,000 workers were women. Many of the injured were hurt seriously. Among them were several policemen.

More than 300 workers were arrested during the melee.

Tanks, Riot Cars

A large part of the city's police and riot vans were sent to quell the riot. They used tanks and riot cars. Earlier, the strikers kidnapped seven police officers as hostages. Police reinforcements fired into the rambling building in a remote section of the city. They reported they did not wound anyone.

The strikers then dropped pieces of iron machinery and stones on the policemen, 10 of whom were injured. Two officers were shot in the gun exchange. A spokesman of the strikers said that about half of the workers opposed the sitdown and several were seriously hurt in attempting to leave the building. Associated Press.

Three Die In House Collapse

At least nine people, described as "opium smokers," were buried under debris when the kitchens of 172 and 174 Swatow Lane (Queen's Road, East), suddenly collapsed onto their hut yesterday evening.

Three were buried alive and brought out dead later, two ex-husband with injuries and four sent to hospital slightly injured.

Two fire engines answered the alarm from Central and Eastern Stations at 5:33 p.m. Police said that the rear portions of the two houses were under repair. Clustered below them were a number of squat huts, in which opium smoking was going on.

The first and second floors collapsed without warning, some 10 people smoking inside the nearest hut were smothered by the falling woodwork and debris.

Firemen extricated three dead bodies, and digging work was still on at the time of going to press.

Labour Boycott Of Unity Talks

London, Feb. 1. The National Executive of the Labour Party has decided to boycott the conference on European unity which it is proposed to hold at The Hague early in May, informed quarters here stated today.

Mr. Morgan Phillips, general secretary of the Labour Party, declined either to confirm or deny the report.

The French Socialist Party, it is thought here, may align itself with the British Labour Party in declining to take part in the meeting.

The Labour Party decision is thought to be based on: 1.—Lack of faith that an organization deriving its main in-

spiration from the Conservative leader, Mr. Winston Churchill, is likely to make for European unity.

2.—That Western European unity must be conceived as a road leading to European unity as a whole.

Not A Ban

The development affirms the decision a year ago that Labour Party members should withhold their support from Mr. Churchill's United Europe Committee. According to influential Labour quarters, the decision to stay away from The Hague conference is not a ban in the sense that Labour bans, for instance, association with any Communist activity.

"What we do in a case like this," one authority explained, "is to refuse to go ourselves and to suggest to our members—whether in Parliament or out of it—that it is not desirable to make propaganda through such a conference."—Reuter.

Record Price Of Rice

Shanghai, Feb. 2. The price of rice—China's staple food—soared to CN\$1,550,000 per (133 lb.) picul, a new all-time high.

The prices of other commodities also climbed, even before wage earners and salaried employees could take advantage of the government's unexpected increase in the cost-of-living index on the basis on which wages and salaries are computed.

The government boosted the cost-of-living index for labourers 39.5% over the past month and 37.7% for salaried employees one of the largest increases since the cost-of-living index system was instituted.

On the flour market, various brands registered increases ranging as high as CN\$550,000 per bag. One brand sold at CN\$640,000 per bag.—Associated Press.

COPRA CARGO DESTROYED

San Francisco, Feb. 2. Copra cargo in a forward hold of the Swedish vessel "Heinland" was destroyed by fire last night while the ship was docked at the pier here.

Twenty-four fire trucks, and a fire boat battled the blaze for three hours before bringing it under control. The ship arrived last Saturday night with a cargo of sugar and copra from the Philippines.—Associated Press.

FEROCIOUS FIGHTING IN MANCHURIA

Shanghai, Feb. 2. Ferocious fighting raged today in southwest Manchuria near Talin River, as Communist forces attempted to advance towards the strategic city of Chinchow, which they must capture to paralyse the Nationalist troops and supply movements from North China.

Scene of the battle was only a few miles from the 100-foot long railway bridge, known as the Northern Gateway to Chinchow, which is located about 15 miles south of the river.

Among the Nationalist units barring the way of the Reds are some of General Fan-chieh's mechanized forces, recently transferred from Shantung.

General Fan and General Lo Choying, Deputy Commander-in-chief in Manchuria, arrived in Mukden last night after an emergency military conference in Peiping with General Fu Tsovi, Commander-in-chief in North China, and General Li Tsung-jen, head of the President's headquarters in Peiping.

The conference is reliably understood to have decided that:

Firstly, there must in future be the closest possible cooperation between the fighting forces of North China and Manchuria; Secondly, the immediate aim of these two forces should be the reopening of the Peiping-Mukden line and adequate protection of the vital south Manchurian port of Hulutao and the north Eastern Hopei port of Chihwangtao; and Thirdly, that port facilities in both Hulutao and Chihwangtao should be considerably increased to cope with the anticipated heavy troops and support movements in future.

Principle

Leaders attending the meeting are said to have unanimously approved the guiding principle of their strategy that "they should use North China to support Manchuria and use Manchuria to protect North China."

Two Nationalist army generals killed in action in the battle of Lianzi were highly eulogized by President Chiang Kai-shek today in a message to General Fu Tsovi, ordering a monetary compensation of CN\$1,000,000, 100 Chinese dollars for their families.—Reuter.



The first batch of 50 ricksha pullers were on the streets yesterday with their newly regulated uniforms, grey-coloured Chinese-style suits, bamboo hats, and accompanying face towels. Photo above shows one of the puller resting on his comparatively clean and tidy vehicle. — China Mail Photo.

DEMOCRATIC LEAGUE CLAIMS SUPPORT GROWING

Except in the ranks of the Nanking Government's Army, underground workers of China's outlawed China Democratic League are rallying the support of professors, students, businessmen and the common people throughout the country for the overthrow of the existing Chinese Government, 74-year-old Shen Chun-yu, Acting Chairman of the League, told the Press yesterday.

At the League's first press conference since its re-establishment in Hong Kong, Mr. Shen reaffirmed the League's peaceful platform and emphasized that the League does not intend to engage in "a revolution like the Chinese Communist Party."

The League's policy, he explained, is to rally and unite all democratic elements the world over and in China. This, in his opinion will be ample to influence the downfall of the present "dictatorial regime."

It is difficult to force the time of the collapse of the existing Government in China, said Mr. Shen, but, he observed, the civil war shows that the Government has reached a dangerous point.

Regarding the Communist Party, Mr. Shen said that personally he does not believe that the Communists will oppose a Coalition Government since they have all along advocated a Coalition Government. He added that a Coalition Government would not necessarily exclude the Kuomintang.

Mr. Shen, who is leader of the National Salvation Group (one of the groups in the League), declared that the League was opposed to any outside interference in the internal affairs of China and also opposed to assistance to the "dictatorial and anti-people government."

Mr. Shen strongly attacked President Truman for the American Government's China Aid policy. The Acting Chairman of the League disclosed that the League's membership totalled more than 100,000 including members abroad (America and Britain included.)

At the same conference yesterday the following declaration, signed by Marshal Li Chai-sum, Shen Chun-yu, Chang Po-chun, Ma Hsu-jun, Tan Ping-shan, Wang Shue-ou, and Chep Chi-yau, was issued in the name of the China Democratic League, the Kuomintang Revolutionary Committee, the National Salvation Group, the Chinese Peasants and Workers Democratic Party, the China Democracy Promotion Society, and the Joint Society of San Min Chiu-I Disciples and Chih Kung Tong (Freemasons):—

Statement

"Regarding the recent report that the 300 million dollars China Aid Bill will be soon put before the American Congress, we wish to point out that this loan negoti-

"Kwong Tung" Inquiry

His Excellency the Governor has convened a Marine Court to investigate the casualty which occurred to the river steamer "Kwong Tung" on Jan. 31.

The Court will consist of the following three members:— James Jelly, Esq., CBE, RD, Director of Marine and Marine Magistrate, President of the Court.

Lieutenant Commander John Buchanan Philip Stirling, Royal Navy.

Captain William Lumsden, Master Mariner.

The investigation will take place at the Marine Office and will commence at 10 a.m. on Wednesday Feb. 4.

Any person who shows that he or she has an interest in the

FLOATING DOCK IN AMOY

Amoy, Feb. 2. A 9,000-ton floating dock given to China by the United States arrived today from Guam.

It was towed by the U.S. ship, "F. A. Butler," commanded by Lieut. F. A. Butler.

The dock will be turned over to the Chinese Navy. Chinese naval authorities said.—Associated Press.

Investigation has a right to appear and be heard, and any other person may appear and be heard by leave of the Court.

Such persons should give their names and addresses to the Court Clerk before the appointed day, when arrangements will be made to notify them of the time and date to attend so as to prevent inconvenience to those wishing to be heard.

The charterers of the ship have also fixed 11 p.m. tomorrow as a provisional date for departure of the "Kwong Tung" to Canton.

Meanwhile, hundreds of passengers who were not allowed to move their luggage from the ship and wharf following the brief fire on board, yesterday demanded compensation for luggage lost or damaged.

Many of them alleged that their goods had been pilfered.

U.S. NAVY TO RESCUE

Tientsin, Feb. 1. The United States destroyer "McCafer" and two auxiliary ships today rescued all but a few of 90 members of the crew from the sinking 5,000-ton Chinese vessel "Ming Hsing," which went on the rocks in the Yellow Sea near here yesterday.

The U.S. Navy radioed that 15 survivors had already been sent ashore.

Fire broke out amidships on the Chinese cargo vessel three hours it had run ashore. Little hope was held that the ship could be saved.

There was no mention of passengers aboard in the early reports.—United Press.

PREWAR INVESTORS TO ENTER JAPAN

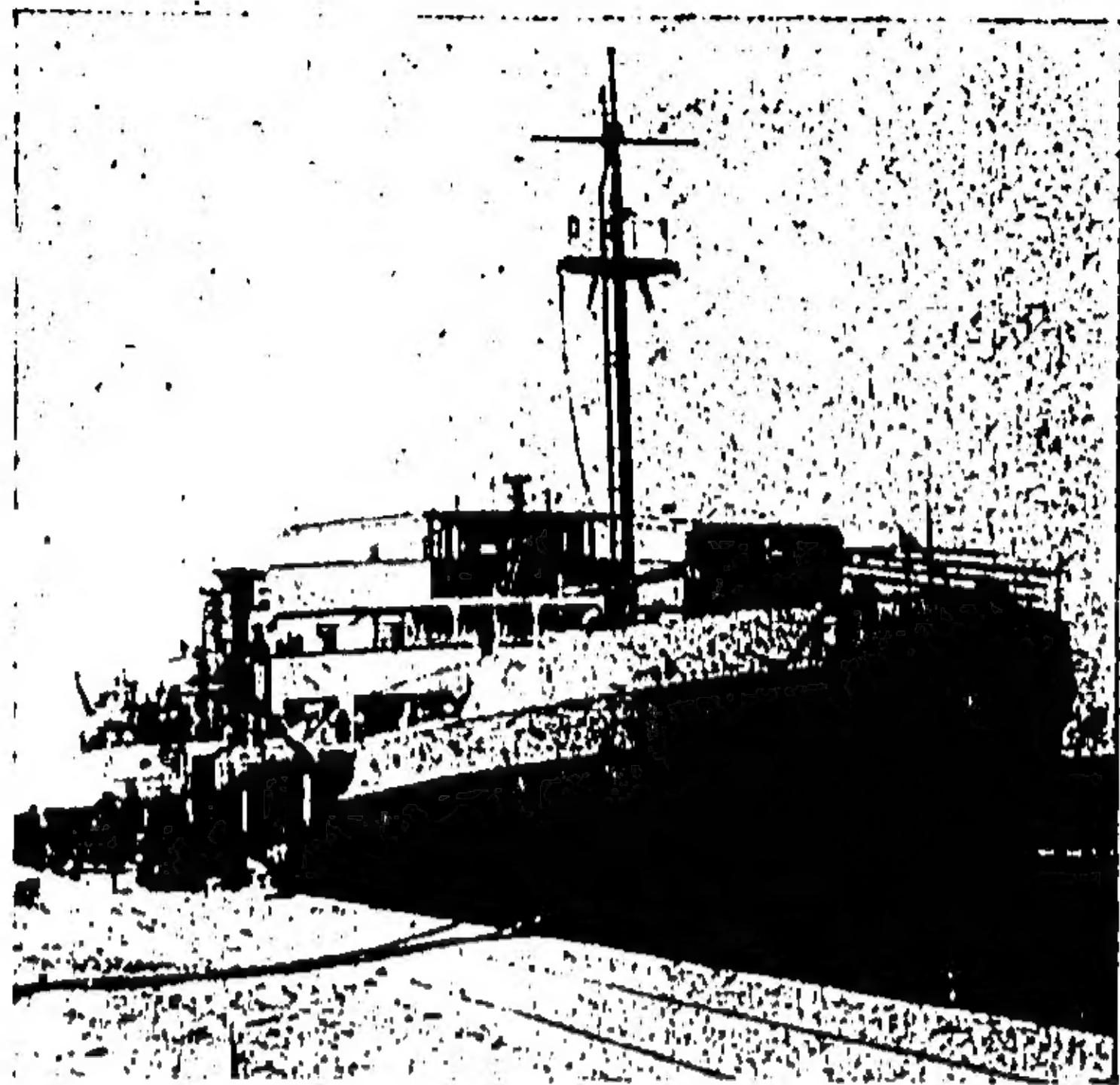
Tokyo, Feb. 2. More than 150 representatives of foreign investors who have more than US\$100,000 investments in Japan will be allowed to enter Japan beginning February 5.

The representatives will mainly look into the re-organization of companies ordered to be liquidated by SCAP under the Zaitan-shamashi laws which will eventually place the stocks and bonds of such companies on public auction. Many stocks in the liquidated companies are owned by foreign interests.

Among the companies in which foreign investors have large interests are the Tokyo Electric Company, in which the General Electric Company of the United States owned 40 per cent of the pre-war shares.

Similarly, the Westinghouse Electric owns a large block of stock in the Mitsubishi Electric Company and the Western Electric Company has heavy interests in the Japan Electric Com-

SURGERY ON A "SICK SHIP"



— "China Mail" Photo. A clever "surgical" operation on a "sick" ship, the first of its kind since the end of the war in Hong Kong, in which the entire middle portion was scrapped and built anew, and the three portions fitted together again, was successfully completed at Talkoo Dock last month.

The "patient" which succumbed to its kind in Hong Kong. The fully underwent this operation is the oil tanker "Aldegonde," originally of 2,088 gross tons, but now augmented to 2,460 gross tons, as a result of the addition of another main tank to the original three and another five side tanks to the original three.

The result of this extension necessitated the shifting back of the aft portion of the ship 39 feet before the fitting-together operation.

The dimension of the ship has been extended from 280 feet to 239 feet between perpendicular.

The superstructure of the original middle portion, which included the bridge arrangement as also the bulk of the cargo pipe-lines, were not included in the scrapping.

Joined Together

The superstructure was bodily lifted off the ship and put back again on the new mid-portion after the joining-together operation.

The engines were in the aft portion, were therefore not affected by the "surgical" operation.

Talkoo Dock, the surgeon in this case, said the "Aldegonde" was handed over to them for the operation in June last. The oil tanks, which were located in the mid-portion of the ship, had been badly corroded by the particular oil it had been carrying, and necessitated the complete scrapping of that portion of the ship, including the building of new tanks.

The operation, said a Dockyard official, involved some 800 tons of steel.

The work would have been completed earlier, said the same official, had it not been held up by a month-old strike at the dock in the latter part of last year.

As far as can be remembered, this is the second "operation" of

Heavy Fog Delays Aircraft

Heavy fog over Hong Kong yesterday interfered with the regular schedules of ferries and aircraft. Several planes postponed their flights for 24 hours.

From The Peak, a resident yesterday telephoned that the weather was fine up there with the sun shining in a clear blue sky.

He said: "I could see Lion's Rock clearly. It seemed just a short distance away while beneath the whole of the Colony appeared as it blanketed with a thick coat of snow."

The Weather

The anticyclone over China shows little change. A deep depression over Hokkaido continues to move NE.

Today's Forecast:—Windy backing to NE and freshening. Weather cloudy and cooler with occasional drizzle.

Yesterday's Weather:—

Maximum: 68.4 deg. Fah.

Minimum: 59.6 deg. Fah.

Sunshine: 2.9 hours.

Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—

31.9 mm.—1.26 in. as against an average of 85.0 mm.—3.35 in.

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Personalia

Arrivals from Bangkok by C.P.A. plane included Messrs. R. Landis and Boudry.

Peninsula Hotel arrivals: — F.L. McGuire, T.L. Overing, Mr. and Mrs. E. Andersen, R. Landis, J. Weiner, A.P. Taylor-Gill, Mrs. M. Omsby, Launcey Jacques, A. Helle, Mr. and Mrs. V.F. Clarke and Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Cobbett.

Peninsula departures: — Dr. and Mrs. S. Shone, W.H. Andrews, C.A. Nicoll, J.B. Turner, Mrs. and Miss F. Kelsey, Mr. and Mrs. R. Dufresne, Mr. and Mrs. T.A. Hoyland, R.L. Smard, Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Deane and Mrs. C.H. Sears.

Passengers by Air France plane, included M. Bourcier (from Saigon) and R.L. Smard, Miss H. Du, Mr. and Mrs. H. Pampardin, Rev. P. Vandell, J. Launcey and C.L. Moreira (to Saigon).

Passengers for Bangkok by P.A.A. "Clipper" "Cathay" yesterday: — Mr. and Mrs. C. Deane, W. Dunshie, George Fowler, Miss Dulive Isaac, E.F. O'Connor and H. Wilson.

The following passengers arrived from Singapore by BOAC flying-boat on Sunday: Messrs. C.L. Edwards, Oscar Bartoys, Tay Tien-chu, Tan Ean-boon, Ng Ming-yong, A.G.T. Wilson, A.J.R. Whitehead, Quok Meng-sah, V.L. Wright, G.Capt. J. Burke, Brother Hamilton, Mrs. C.J. Muller, Mrs. J.M. Ketel and the Misses T.J. Muller, J.E. Muller and J.M. Ketel. From Bangkok aboard the same aircraft were Mrs. L. Cohen, Mr. P. Youngshand, Mr. Tan Piek-chin, and Mr. and Mrs. F. Healey.

The Air Officer Commanding Air Commodore S. N. Webster, C.B.E., A.F.C., arrived back at Kai Tak yesterday afternoon by B.O.A.C. from Singapore after a short visit to Headquarters Air Command, Far East.

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. James Theodore Reid, Chartered Accountant, 179 The Peak, to Miss Alice Margaret Dedeard, Stenographer, French Mission, Battery Path, has been announced.

The wedding of Mr. Peter Anthony Haddock of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, to Evelyn Gladys Mason took place at the Supreme Court Registry yesterday in the presence of the Hon. Mr. Arthur Morse and Mrs. K.F. Robinson. Mr. C. D'Almada e Castro, Acting Registrar of Marriages, officiated.

Accused's Tears Were All In Vain

With tears streaming down his cheeks, Wong Tai-sang, unemployed from Shanghai, sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment by Mr. J. G. Conklin at Central Magistracy last Dec. 2, on two charges of receiving stolen property, appealed yesterday to Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), against the severity of sentence.

Mr. J. Reynolds appeared for the Crown. Wong was not legally represented.

The property which Wong was found guilty of receiving, was stolen from Mr. K.J. Kendrick and Mr. C. Mitchell at 449 Barker Road, on Dec. 1, 1947.

Wong said that he was a businessman and at the time of his arrest, had only been in Hong Kong for three days.

Reminders Today

Rotary Club Luncheon, recording of "Early Days of the Brains Trust" by Donald McCullough, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Concert by Rev. Mr. A. Rignall at Catholic Centre, King's Building, 6 p.m. (admission free).

Urban Council meeting, 4.15 p.m.

Meeting of Inter-port Sub-Committee, H.K. Football Association Office, 5.15 p.m.

Women's Guild meeting, Kowloon Union Church, 10 a.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Yau-mat Government P.M. Speech Day, P.H.ing Theatre, Yau-mat, 3.30 a.m.

THURSDAY

Annual Meeting, International Assurance Co., Ltd., 12.15 a.m., Queen's Road, Central, 11 a.m.

Cancer Cure Said Cheap, Simple

Sydney, Feb. 2.

The vital substance which is injected into the blood stream—"ridiculously cheap and so simple"—was said by a cancer specialist here today to be the secret of Mr. John Braund—non-medical Sydney septuagenarian, whose claims to be able to cure cancer have aroused worldwide interest.

The specialist, who has studied Mr. Braund's treatment, said that the substance was injected into the blood stream near the growth.

Mr. Braund, he said, asserted that it was "ridiculously cheap and so simple that people would hardly believe it." There was nothing in Mr. Braund's methods contrary to orthodox medical opinion, the specialist said.

Maintaining that malignant growths have their sources in the blood stream, Mr. Braund's methods were said by the specialist to aim at purifying the blood and regulating a correct circulation as preliminary to treatment.

His patients spent hours with their feet in hot salt water and underwent a strenuous massage.

The specialist said that the substance injected in or near the site of the growth appeared to be attracted to the cancer cells. It destroyed them but left the healthy tissues unharmed. When the cancer cells were killed, the specialist added, they seemed to shrivel and were ejected by the healthy cells as any foreign bodies would be.

Regional Statistical Conference

A four-day Regional Statistical Conference at the Special Commissioner's Office in Singapore ended on Jan. 31 with closing statements from the delegates which left no doubt regarding their appreciation of the value of the gathering.

The Conference was attended by representatives of nine Governments as well as three international organizations—E.A.O., I.L.O. and E.C.A.—and other experts.

Ten important recommendations concerning rice production and consumption statistics, and two statements of views regarding the cost of living indices and statistics of wages and working hours, resulted from three exhaustive discussions and were unanimously adopted at the closing session. These conclusions reached will be urgently followed up and will be made available to the E.A.O. at the Rice Meeting to be held in Saigon in March.

Mr. Patrick Selver, Deputy Special Commissioner, in the closing address to the delegates, commented on the unanimity with which these important conclusions had been reached.

POLICE RAID ILLEGAL RADIO STATION

The first of its kind where two transmitters were concerned, another "Radio Case" came before Mr. J. G. Conklin at Central Magistracy yesterday, with DSI Gordon prosecuting and Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios and Mr. C. A. S. Russ defending.

Cheung Man, 36, wireless operator, and Chan Sing, 23, telephone operator, represented by Mr. Russ, charged with operating and maintaining radio apparatus and possessing radio apparatus, were fined \$2,000 or six months imprisonment or \$2,500 or six months imprisonment, respectively.

Tam Ching, 45, described as a divorcee having two children, one of whom is teaching in Cheung Chau, charged with being the principal tenant of the premises, was fined \$500 or six months imprisonment.

DSI Gordon told the Court that he raided No. 40 Calabish Street at 2.30 p.m. on Jan. 27, and found first two defendants in a rear cubicle, operating the set. First defendant was sending out Morse code, while second accused was telephoning.

Warm

The other set, lying by the side of the one used, was warm and, according to Inspector of Wireless James Key, it had been used for an hour.

Third defendant, DSI Gordon said, was sitting on the veran-dah. The door of the cubicle was opened, and anybody going to the kitchen had to pass through the passage and the cubicle.

Tam in the witness box said that due to the high cost of living, she advertised a rear cubicle to rent two months ago. Second defendant rented the room at \$50 per month. First defendant came into the room on the very day they were arrested.

She did not know what the instruments were about and their use. She had never entered the cubicle and the defendants were strangers to her. She knew what a radio was but could not differentiate between a radio and a receiver.

"Nothing Criminal"

Mr. Remedios said that there was nothing criminal against her and asked that his client be treated leniently.

Mr. Russ, contending that the whole thing was purely commercial and without ulterior motive, said that the matter was not of those serious cases where undesirable elements were involved.

His clients were only paid ten. First defendant was engaged by a friend who had disappeared. Second defendant was only the office boy, "henceforth, if you like to call him that."

At yesterday's hearing, RO Millington informed the Court that he had been told by second-in-command of the local Customs office that notices, in Chinese, were posted in all stations along the Canton-Kowloon railway lines, declaring that no person allowed to take more than CN\$5,000, the 600 out of China. A translation of the notice was handed to the Magistrate.

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Kowloon Skyscraper

Work on Kowloon's first skyscraper — the projected 12-storey building of the Hong Kong Telephone Company, Limited — will begin this week at the corner of Nathan and Cameron Roads.

When completed, the structure will reach 192 feet — 24 feet lower than the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the highest building on the island.

The skyscraper will accommodate a new telephone exchange to serve the southern area of Kowloon. Space for shops will be provided on the ground floors, and residential flats for staff members on some of the upper floors.

FOOD AND FUEL COSTS

Food and Fuel Costs for the week ending Jan. 31		
Rice and Flour	72 cwt.	\$5,500
Vegetables	1.9	1,100
Salt Cabbage	2	320
Oil	2	1,750
Tea	2	900
Salt Fish	3	850
Fish	4	1,150
Pork	3	900
Firewood	100	1,000
Bean Curd, 14 pieces		200
Total		\$14,600

FORFEITED BAIL RATHER THAN LOSE JOBS

The predicament Alexis Robert (28), engineer, and Eugene Robert (23), radio operator, of an Air-France plane, who were booked on a charge of attempting to export gold bars from the Colony, was emphasised by their representative in Kowloon Court yesterday.

The two defendants, said the representative to Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr, found themselves in an unenviable position. Released on bail of \$200, they had to decide whether to appear in Court or to leave with their plane.

If they failed to take their plane out they would lose their jobs; if they failed to answer the charge, they would forfeit bail. They chose the latter, and wrote to the Court accordingly.

The letters, handed to the Magistrate by Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth, were not read out but Mr. Blair-Kerr informed Revenue Officer L. C. Millington that both defendants pleaded guilty to the charge.

The second charge of attempting to export plasters (in the case of Robert, 215,000, and 344,000 where Imbert was concerned) was withdrawn by RO Millington on instructions from the Imports & Exports Department.

Gold Bars

According to RO Millington, both accused were members of the crew of an Air-France plane which was leaving for Saigon at 7.20 a.m. on Jan. 31.

Searched on board the plane by Revenue Officers, 12 gold bars were found in the upholstery above Imbert's seat in the radio room. On the person of Robert was found six bars, while another six were found in his tool kit.

The total weight of the 24 bars, said RO Millington, was 10 lbs., estimated at \$39,600.

Confiscated

Under the conditions of their employment, continued RO Millington, the defendants had to fly their plane on Sunday. He would, therefore, only ask for the confiscation of the gold.

The plasters were in the hands of the Imports & Exports Office and would be returned to accused's representative on application.

Mr. Blair-Kerr ordered the gold to be confiscated, and bail estreated.

BAIL REFUSED

Canton, Feb. 2. The Chinese Procurator said today that application for bail by George Chin, South China American Legion Commander, was denied as continuing investigation into the former Boston and Los Angeles man's activities is in action.

George Chin, who accused Chin of embezzling \$152,500, representing the insurance of his American soldier-son, who was killed in action, said that he was dropping the charges after receiving satisfaction.

Chin remains, meanwhile, in jail, pending further investigation.—Associated Press.

Bail of \$100 was forfeited by Hui-man, 45-year-old merchant whose address was given as 14 Lock Road when he failed to appear before Mr. W.A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon to answer the charges of assaulting Tong Ching-thong at 733A Nathan Road at 2.55 a.m. on Feb. 2, and behaving in a disorderly manner in the Mong Kok Police Station charge-room at 3.20 a.m. the same morning.

Millions Of Dollars Of Little Value

"I do not see what good these millions of dollars will do to the Colony," declared Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday imposing a fine of \$100 each on two Chinese charged with importing a total of CN\$62,243,500 (HK\$2,639) in excess of the CN\$10,000,000 allowed by the Defence (Currency) Regulations.

At the previous hearing on Jan. 26, Lam Chun, 45-year-old clerk, was charged with having CN\$32,343,500 (HK\$1,230) in excess at the K.C.R. Station on Jan. 25. The excess amount found on Chau Chi-po, 32-year-old merchant, at the following hearing was CN\$29,900,000 (HK\$1,199).

The case was remanded for a week by the Magistrate to enable Revenue Officer L.C. Millington to verify the defendants' claim that their baggage had been searched in Canton and that the amount was passed by the Chinese Customs there. At yesterday's hearing, RO Millington informed the Court that he had been told by second-in-command of the local Customs office that notices, in Chinese, were posted in all stations along the Canton-Kowloon railway lines, declaring that no person allowed to take more than CN\$5,000, the 600 out of China. A translation of the notice was handed to the Magistrate.

"It is all very well to ask for confiscation, but on what basis? It is very difficult for me to say what we are supposed to do according to the Chinese regulations," said Mr. Latimer when RO Millington said he had been instructed to apply for the confiscation of the excess amounts.

When told the equivalent in Hong Kong dollars, the Magistrate commented, "That is a lot of money to take away from a man. They are both obviously businessmen and could easily go to the banks and get the money sent away that way. That's what the banks are for, isn't it?"

On RO Millington pointing out that a mere fine would not act as a deterrent, the Magistrate suggested that a fine be imposed and that the money be handed back on the condition that defendants conduct their future transactions through the banks. "I do not see what good these millions of dollars will do to the Colony," added Mr. Latimer.

Tried To Do Some Business

Siu Cheuk, 26, travelling trader, wanted to smuggle six packages of dyeing material to Canton. He decided on the new well-known method of heading the packages to a friend on a moving train.

He was seen in the act by PC 1136 who was on duty near Holt's Wharf at 10.30 a.m. on Feb. 1. When he saw the constable approaching, Siu left his sack behind and beat it.

The constable took the sack, containing the dyes, to the Tsimshatsui Police Station. At 5 p.m. the same day, Siu went up to the Station to claim his goods. PC 1136 was sent for and identified the man as the one he saw on the railway tracks that morning.

Instead of getting his goods, Siu got booked on the charges of trespassing on the K.C.R. near Holt's Wharf, and of doing an act likely to endanger his life by trying to hand the sack on to a moving train.

The total value of the dyes, said Inspector J. Orem when Siu appeared before Mr. W. H. Latimer yesterday, was \$200.

Inspector Orem added that, when charged, accused stated, "I was pressed by hard living, so I tried to do some small business."

Fines totalling \$250 were imposed by the Magistrate.

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V. KENNIFF,
Director of Public Works.

20th January, 1948.

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(b) Causeway Bay & North Point		4 cents
(c) Kennedy Town		4 cents
(d) Shaukiwan		3 cents
(e) Apilechau & Aberdeen	(Apilechau (Aberdeen	1 cent
		2 cents
(f) Remainder of Island	Pokfulam (Stanley)	½ cent
	Remainder of Island	¼ cent
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(a) Talmshatsui (East)		4 cents
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(e) Hung Hom		4 cents
(f) Ma Tau Wai		3 cents
(g) Ma Tau Kok		4 cents
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An explosion also wrecked a Jewish-owned house in the Jaffa Tel Aviv area. There were no casualties in the house explosions. The wave of explosions came several hours after the Royal Navy intercepted a schooner carrying 280 Jews seeking to enter Palestine without immigration papers. The refugees from Central Europe were sent off to Cyprus for detention.

The present immigration rates would be maintained until the termination of the mandate, Sir Alexander Cadogan, British chief delegate to the United Nations, told the Palestine Commission ten days ago. Jewish casualties inside the walled city of Jerusalem since Nov. 30 last year, now total six dead and between 12 and 15 wounded, a Haganah company commander in charge of the defence of the Jewish quarter of the Old City, said today.

Resolution

Meanwhile, in London the Zionist Federation conference today passed a resolution deploring the "present attitude of the British Government to the implementation of the United Nations Palestine decision."

"It is impeding the defence of the Jewish quarter of the Old City, said today."

Also in London, an appeal for United Nations assistance in "putting an end to the bloodshed in Jerusalem by the appointment of a Governor of the city," was made at a conference of Rabbis and communal leaders, held today.

The meeting launched a fund of £100,000 to assist the rehabilitation of the city. Associated Press and Reuter.

China Envoy To Ceylon

Shanghai, Feb. 2. The Chinese Government has appointed Dr. Lo Chia-lun, Ambassador to India, as special envoy of the Republic of China to Ceylon on the occasion of the latter's attainment of independence in a few days' time.

Dr. Lo will go direct from New Delhi to Kandy, the capital of Ceylon, to take part in the celebrations. Ceylon, at present an island colony of the British Empire, will achieve Dominion status next week, following adoption of the new constitution last year.—Reuter.

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The Russian broadcast, heard in London, said the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affairs had handed the protest note to American Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith in Moscow on Jan. 30.

This is the third Russian protest note to the US in less than two weeks. The first was a formal note handed to Secretary of State George Marshall in Washington. It charged that the American reopening of Mollath airfield in Tripolitania violated the Italian peace treaty.

The second Soviet protest contended that the presence of US warships in Italian ports violated a clause in the Italian peace treaty providing that Allied armed forces be evacuated from Italy by last Dec. 15.—Associated Press.

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Small as it may seem in relation to the total problem, the effort which has been made in Wanchai, with the cooperation of the government, by the Street Sleepers Shelter Society, to bring relief to some scores of suffering destitutes is deserving of the fullest public support. The opening up of part of the Violet Peel Health Centre for this purpose is particularly gratifying at this season, which, from the viewpoint of the wretched street sleeper, is the worst period of the year.

Sooner or later, the scale of the Society's operations will no doubt be extended when it will be entitled to look for a greater measure of official support than has always been accorded its activities in the past but the difficulty since the war has been that of every other kind of undertaking requiring house-room, the acute shortage of suitable accommodation.

In the case of the Street Sleepers Shelter Society, this problem is more than ordinarily troublesome since, from the very nature of its work, purely of a charitable and humanitarian character, it looks for fairly large premises which can be adapted for use by street sleepers at no great cost, and for which there is a strong preference for non-payment of any rent.

When the Government itself is reduced to such straits in providing accommodation for members of its police force that parts of the old Victoria Gaol have to be brought into service as quarters, the handicaps that face the enthusiasts of the Street Sleepers Shelter Society must be self-evident.

In the Violet Peel Centre at Wanchai, facilities have been provided for roughly 150 persons, of which bed-spaces, a hundred have been reserved for women. It solves nothing, in one sense, but it is an excellent start, and Miss Ruby Mowfung, the Chief Inspiration behind the effort, has earned the Community's thanks and congratulations.

Canada And Hong Kong

Canadian dissatisfaction with the handling of the campaign which terminated in the Fall of Hong Kong, broadly hinted at in Mr. Mackenzie King's plain reluctance to publish his exchange of letters with Colonel George Drew, will occasion no surprise. Not that there is necessarily substance in all the criticisms levelled: merely that it was not essential to be in Canada in 1942 to realise that the heavy sacrifices made by the Canadians in Hong Kong might lead to recriminations.

Had the Japanese given the Colony a longer respite from attack, the story might have been notably different from that related in the Mahby Despatches, and also from those parts of the narrative that were omitted.

The real tragedy of Canadian participation in the Battle for Hong Kong had nothing to do with the us- to which these gallant troops were put. The whole episode revolves round the fact that they arrived here in the recruit stage only 22 days before the blow struck, were inadequately trained for this or any other kind of warfare, and gallantly as they fought, were at all times at a hopeless disadvantage in any operation requiring knowledge of the terrain.

Mr. Mackenzie King's resistance to publication of the Drew correspondence is, therefore, not difficult to understand.

An investigation into the fall of Hong Kong, no matter from which source the demand might come, would serve no more useful purpose than a similar inquiry into the collapse in Malaya, which has already been refused.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

By W.J. Passingham

In Britain, local government constitutes the art of living together so that the communal burdens are shouldered by those best fitted financially to bear them. If the age-old question should be asked, "Am I my brother's keeper?" the answer, as far as Britain is concerned, is in the affirmative.

Every British subject is, in greater or lesser extent, indebted to his local government for his welfare and existence. He may be rich, able to bear the cost of good health, of good education, but still the citizen is indebted to the local authorities for heat, light, power, hygiene, indeed, for the very pavements he walks upon, left clean and fresh for him after the heat and burden of the day. Although, from time to time, cases of graft have been exposed in all their ugliness, it may justly be said that on the whole, local government in Britain stands as a shining example to the rest of the world of upright administration and a widespread charity to those unable to bear alone the difficulties of a workaday world.

Because of local government efforts, the total death-rate and infant mortality rate throughout Britain have been halved within four generations. Thus a child born today has an expectation of life 17 years longer than that of a child born in 1850.

Several Kinds

There are several kinds of local government, and they differ widely both in size and scope of authority. For this reason the whole system is complicated. If, for example, you happen to live in a County Borough—which is quite self-contained and independent—the main roads in your district will be kept in repair by the County Council, and the secondary roads by your Borough or District Council.

It all begins with the Parish Council, which administers local charities, maintains a water supply within the parish, is responsible for footpaths not part of the public highway, may maintain the public library, public wash houses, recreation grounds, village greens, and so on. Then comes the District Council, which in the country is called the Rural District Council, and in town the Urban Dis-

100 Years Ago

(From the files of the "China Mail")

A letter from Berlin contains an account of a new model with which several corps of the Prussian Army are already provided. This weapon is called the "Zund-Nadel" gun and differs from the ordinary model in that the charge is introduced at the breech, and the explosion takes place by the touch of a needle which is forced into the centre of the cartridge as soon as the trigger is pulled.

Eighteen shots, it is stated, can be discharged in a single minute from one of these guns, and the range of fire extends to 800 yards, or more than double the limits of the best military rifles.

The inevitable pellantry and amour propre of our armours and inspectors of arms in England, their disinclination to adopt inventions not of English growth, and their slowness to avail themselves of new models until they become no longer new will undoubtedly exercise this powerful influence over giving this powerful weapon even a chance of trial in England.

It is scarcely to point out the advantages that these weapons, carrying 800 yards with perfect accuracy, have over muskets, of which the range does not exceed 150, and that very uncertain. Another great advantage of the "Zund-Nadel" is that rifles or light infantry can load with ease and without effort when lying flat on the ground.

An English soldier is a very awkward fellow to deal with when the enemies' balls are whistling like hail around his ears; it requires a heavy shower to disturb his noble steadfastness and most glorious self-possession; but just put our lads, with their stout hearts, cool heads, and steady fingers out of all but extraordinary chances of being hit, and tell them to fire.

Heaven, then, have mercy on the souls of opponents! Why, they would sweep everything before them before half their sixty rounds were expended; and if the work is hateful to the peaceful villagers must be done, the sooner it is done the better. Lady Blandish need not be so sure as a colonial authority.

trict Council. Both these local authorities have important responsibilities in the maintenance of public health, housing, main water supply, and various other services. In the case of an Urban District Council there is an additional responsibility for managing trade undertakings, and—where the population exceeds 20,000—for elementary education, the administration of Shop Acts and Old Age Pension Acts.

The Urban Council

Then there is the Non County Borough, with duties almost identical with those of the Urban District Council. But a Borough Council, incorporated by Royal Charter, is controlled by a town council consisting of a Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors; whereas Urban and Rural District Councils consist only of Councillors with a Chairman who holds similar duties to that of a Mayor in a Borough.

Each Borough is divided into Wards, and electors in each Ward elect Councillors whose duration of office is three years. In turn, the Councillors elect the Aldermen who hold office for six years. Each year, of course, the Council elects its own Mayor.

County Councils

Most important authority in British local government is the County Council, and ranking equally with it, the County Borough Council. A County Council not only has duties in regard to bridges, roads, education, lunacy, public health, agriculture, registration and licensing, the police force and other important matters, but it also holds considerable powers of supervision and authority over Parish, District and Borough Councils. County Councils were created in 1888, and there are now 62 of them—including the London Council, wealthiest local authority in the world, with a Budget larger than that of some Continental countries.

Most County Councils cover the areas of the ancient counties, such as Yorkshire, Suffolk, Sussex and Lincolnshire, and may be subdivided among two or three County Councils. But each County Council is a democratic body, composed of County Councillors elected by the inhabitants of the county, and, broadly, any British subject, man or woman, on the voter's register of the county—or one who has lived in the county for 12 months before the election takes place—may put up as a candidate. The whole business of candidature for a County Council is simple. There is no deposit for candidates to pay, as in the case of a Parliamentary election, and the main formality is that the

candidate must persuade 10 electors to nominate him—and eight more to support his nomination.

A County Council, therefore, is as democratic as any governing body may be. It is not as democratic as it could be, simply because the people of the county show an amazing apathy at local government elections, although the elections are of fundamental importance to the individual, since the work of a County Council affects everybody living within its jurisdiction from the cradle to the grave. Yet there are cases where half the Councillors nominated are elected unopposed, and about only one elector in 18 takes the trouble to vote.

Before The Cradle

Even before he reached the cradle, the unborn citizen comes under the care of the County Council, for such things as ante-natal clinics, nurses and health visitors, advice and assistance to his mother, Midwives and maternity nurses supplied by the County Council usher most of his kind into the world, and the same authority may usher him out of it. During his early, critical years his health is supervised by the Council. The County Council will probably supervise his education from the age of two to 19 years for every such local authority must now provide nursery schools for children between two and five years where the parents apply for this service. If the child is really clever, he can gain a County Council scholarship which can take him to a university.

The modern child in Britain is largely what his County Council can make of him, since it supplies sustenance as well as education.

Japanese Cabinet To Quit?

Tokyo, Feb. 2.
The Prime Minister, Mr. Tetsu Katayama, told a conference of Socialist Cabinet Ministers yesterday that he was "determined to have the Cabinet resign en bloc in the event of the three Governmental parties failing to agree on policies," the newspaper Yomiuri Shimbun reported today.

Mr. Katayama said recent political conditions indicate that the time is approaching for his Cabinet to retire, adding: "After the general resignation of the present Cabinet, our party will become the Opposition and we shall endeavour to strengthen our position in the hope of forming a single Socialist Cabinet in the future."

The Yomiuri Shimbun said this statement—the first of its kind ever made by Mr. Katayama—indicates that the Cabinet is now confronted with a situation from which it sees no escape.—Reuter.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

"THE AUTHORITY ON AUTHORITIES"

THE ODDS SILENCE YOU

Forgetting all about the way you double may help the declarer to play the hand, there is nevertheless plenty of reason to refrain from doubling a slam contract unless you are absolutely positive you can see it. The odds against you are usually enough to impose silence. Just figure it out. Suppose he is not vulnerable and you set him a trick. The double increases your score from 50 to 100—a gain of only 50. But if he makes it, the double of a major suit small slam gives him an extra 180 points plus 50 for making his doubled contract, a total extra dividend of 230. In other words, you are betting 230 to 50, or almost 5 to 1, that you will beat him.

S. A. 9
D. A 10 9 5 4 2
C. A 10 5 2
S. K J 10
2
H. J 6 5
D. K J 6 3
C. K 3

S. 9 7 6 5 3
H. A Q 10 3 2
D. None
C. Q J 6

(Dealer: North. Neither side vulnerable.)

North East South West
1 D Pass 1 S Pass
2 D Pass 3 H Pass
3 NT Pass 4 H Pass
4 H

of Pittsburgh's most astute rubber players, who recognized the freakishness of the distribution and the likelihood of optional playing plans for the declarer.

Even without a double from him, South pulled the contract home. The diamond 3 lead offered South two possible courses. One necessitated an even division of hearts, and club with West holding the club K. The other required only a division of hearts evenly, a diamond four-three and the club K in the West. That is what he sought.

South ruffed the diamond Q on the first trick, led the club Q to the K and A, discarded the spade 3 on the diamond A, ruffed the diamond 4 with the heart 3, scored three top hearts to discard a club, led to the club 10, discarded the spade 5 on the diamond 5, which West won with the K, and so secured the last four tricks with the spade A, diamond 10 and 9 and club J.

(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)
If East had stuck in a spade bid and West had supported it, how should South play for 4 hearts against the heart 10 lead?

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"This little pamphlet goes with them—it tells how to convert them into a pair of splints!"

Australia's Colour Bar To Go?

By Lachie McDonald

Sydney.
While official opinion still backs the traditional Australian policy of keeping this great continent exclusively a white man's country, public uneasiness over the Chifley Government's unrelenting decision to deport a handful of Malayan seamen settles here since the war suggests many other people in the 30,000 who have come in 1947, the first full year of large-scale planned immigration.

Arthur Calwell, Minister for Immigration, expects 50,000 arrivals in 1948. Annual target is 70,000, but shortage of shipping is delaying its achievement.

Mr. Calwell says Australia is accepting "a fair cross-section of the British people," and priority is going to workers who can help the building industry. Immigrants house those coming after them. Because Australia did not wish to embarrass the British Government, large numbers of specialists had not been sought; Britain needed them herself.

Churchmen have been particularly scathing about a Government edict that breaks up homes and marriages. Many people have likened the restriction to order to the Kremlin policy that prevents Russian girls from joining their British husbands.

But through all the fuss Canberra has stood firmly to its decision that even British Asians are not wanted in Australia.

However, Australia is getting a steady trickle of Anglo-Indians who see no future in the new India. Many Anglo-Burmans, fearing racial discrimination when Burma becomes independent, have also applied for entry permits.

A number of Australian girls who married Japanese soldiers during the war are returning disillusioned and husbandless but with coffee-coloured children.

Not For Long

It is obvious that Australia cannot maintain for many years its proud pre-war boast that the population of this country is more Anglo-Saxon than even the United Kingdom.

Immediate concern today is to get more white people into Australia, and already European and many races are streaming through migrant offices at each port.

Tasmania has received 280 Polish soldiers who are working together on a giant hydro-electric scheme and, in their off-time, learning English and studying Australian customs.

A further 560 Polish soldiers will reach Tasmania by the end of April and another 200 will go to construction jobs at Darwin in May.

All are under contract to work on specified jobs for a certain period.

First batch of 843 displaced persons from Europe arrived at Melbourne on December 7. All are young unmarried Bats, 729 being men.

Australia has promised to take 12,000 displaced Europeans a year, and Canberra is prepared to boost the intake to 20,000 a year if "suitable" persons are available.

When the Bats have been a month at a reception and training centre—it is an old Army training camp in inland of Victoria—they will go to jobs awaiting them in different States.

Teaching Plans

Twenty teachers will instruct them in English, civics, hygiene and sanitation, reading and writing. Canberra is directly responsible for these newcomers and aims to make them "good Australian citizens."

Many Europeans already settling here have come under their own steam after having been nominated by friends and relatives who made themselves responsible for these migrants.

Special planes have flown a number of Greeks all the way from Athens and other planes have lifted Europeans and White Russians who could get only as far as Singapore by ship.

But main stream of migrants is from the United Kingdom, and Australia hopes to keep it this way. Britons far outnumbered all other people in the 30,000 who have come in 1947, the first full year of large-scale planned immigration.

Mr. Calwell says Australia is accepting "a fair cross-section of the British people," and priority is going to workers who can help the building industry. Immigrants house those coming after them. Because Australia did not wish to embarrass the British Government, large numbers of specialists had not been sought; Britain needed them herself.

Shipping The Key

With shipping the key to all Australia's immigration plans, Canberra is considering building in Australia special 1,000-passenger migrant ships. An Australian committee in London is investigating an alternative proposal to build in Britain 20 500-passenger ships.

British, American, and Australian airline operators have offered Canberra special migrant services from the United Kingdom. Ten DC-4 aircraft in regular service could carry 10,000 migrants a year, but, as Mr. Calwell says, it would be expensive and difficult to organise.

Third main source of new Australians is the United States, where 10,000 applications have been made by young Americans who would like to live in Australia. Again shipping is the main obstacle, and so far only 200 Americans have arrived.

Australia will never forget how helpless she felt in early 1942 when Japanese armies were swarming south. In a post-war world of shortages, she knows her greatest shortage still is population.

The sprawling continent awaits further development, and unless Australia does it herself, the fear is that hungry, crowded Asia in time will overflow southward through the Dutch East Indies.

That's why the emphasis everywhere in Australia is on migration. And that's also the reason why Australia will resist entry of Asians as long as she possibly can; it wouldn't have needed a very strong fifth column of resident Japanese to have disorganised Australia's small population in 1942 and opened the coastline to Japanese invaders.

49 Dead In Irap Riots

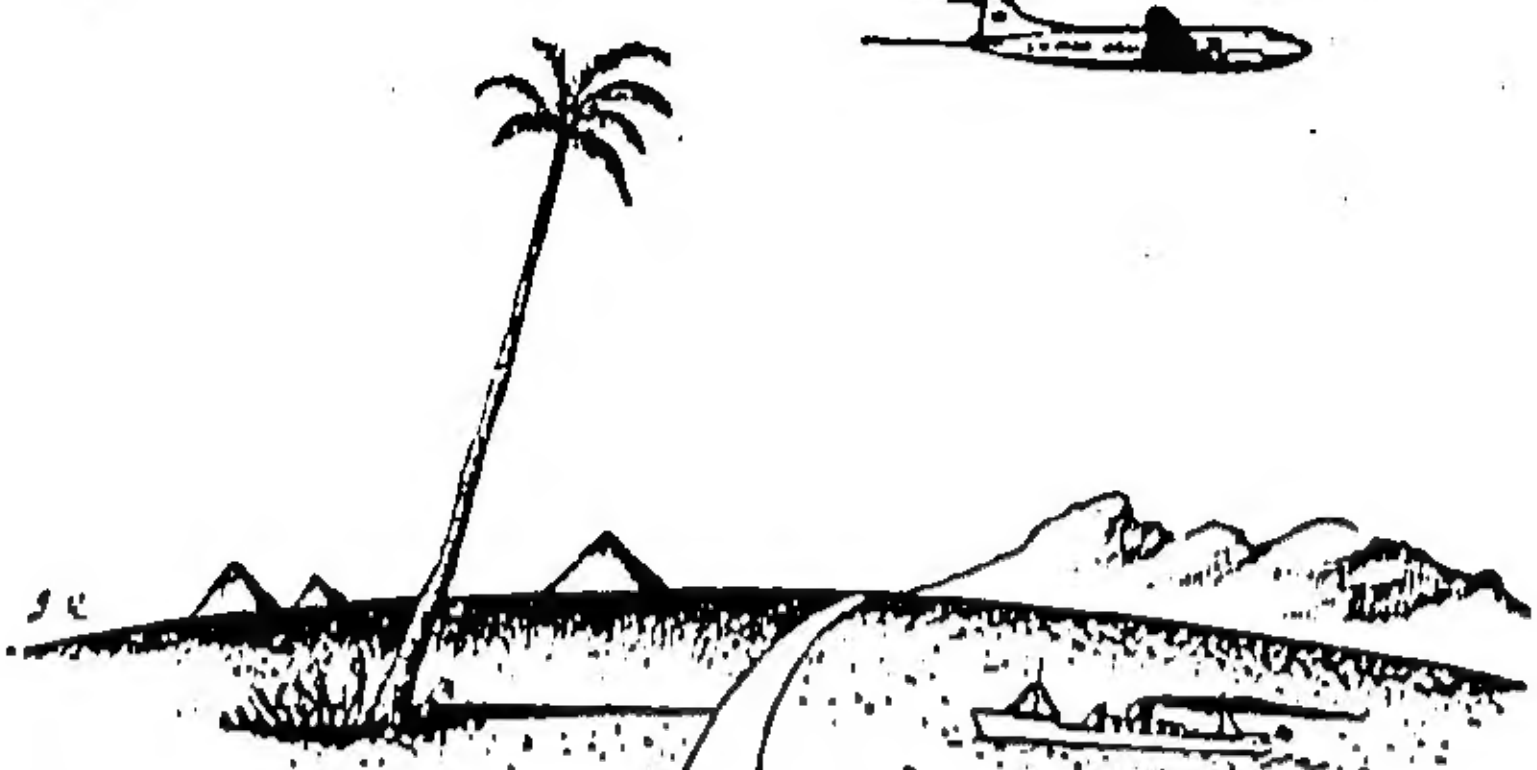
Baghdad, Feb. 1.
Ten persons died this week-end from injuries received in last Tuesday's violent demonstrations against the proposed British-Iraqi treaty of alliance.

The deaths brought to 49 the number of fatalities in Baghdad. A score or more were reported to have been killed in 10 other Iraqi cities. Funeral processions still are being held in Baghdad for some of the victims. Theaters and other places of public entertainment have been closed for three days in memory of the dead.—Associated Press.

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CABARET UNION DISSOLVED

Mayor's Riposte To Shanghai Rioting

Over 100 Girls Under Arrest

Shanghai, Feb. 2. Holding them responsible for Saturday's rioting, the local authorities have ordered the dissolution of the Shanghai Cabaret Owners' Guild and the Cabaret Workers' Union, which are concurrently running a quarter-page advertisement in the Shanghai papers appealing for public support for their cause.

Reports that all cabarets would be closed down as a result of the incident were denied by Mr. Li Chien-hwa, Deputy Commissioner of Social Affairs.

He said the result of the rioting on Saturday morning, which the cabaret operators refused to recognize, would be upheld. This lot drawing decided that 14 of the dancing establishments, including virtually all the leading ones in the city, would have to close down by the end of March.

Undrawn establishments will have a further six months' grace before winding up at the end of September. Mr. Li said these houses would be free to continue operating while the disturbances last Saturday would be dealt with separately as an independent issue, according to the law.

Planned Affair

The cabaret owners, however, expressed their intention to keep their establishments closed pending a settlement of the whole issue.

Despite yesterday being a Sunday, the staff and workers of the Social Affairs Bureau turned up in full force at the office to take stock of the damage done and to undertake preliminary repairs. Apart from valuable papers, documents and files destroyed, the material damage suffered was estimated at roughly CN\$5,000 million.

Semi-official Chinese sources claim that evidence has been

found that the rioting last Saturday was a planned affair. They said the authorities found a printed notice on the person of most of the dancing girls participating in the demonstration, calling for attendance of all the girls at the mass meeting.

Girls In Custody

The City law enforcement bodies are now on the trail of the men who pulled the strings in the affair. Up to late last night, 107 of some 300 cabaret girls and employers originally rounded up, were still in police custody.

Government leaders in Nanking are described in Chinese press reports as being greatly exasperated by the news of the wild demonstration and have ordered severe punishment of the ringleaders.

Both the Mayor, Mr. K. C. Wu, and the Garrison Commander, Lt. Gen. Hsuan Ti-shu, are said to be firm in their stand to punish all those responsible for the trouble.

The cabaret owners held meetings yesterday, but no decision as to the next move was reached.

—Reuter.

Labour Party Not Marxist

Wurttemberg, Feb. 1.

The British Labour Party, though it includes Marxists, is not a Marxist party, Dr. George Catlin, head of the British delegation to the International Christian Democrat Conference here, said today.

"This is a matter of importance frequently not comprehended on the continent of Europe," he added.

The party, Dr. Catlin said, included most members of the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists, prominent Catholics and other non-Marxists.

"The great fight before us," he declared, "will be for social democracy in Europe—and, in the light of our tradition, let us add, of a social democracy with a religious ethic, distinct alike from doctrinal and atheistic Communism and Fascist pagan terrorism."

To make the United Nations complete, increasing abolition of frontiers and fusion of peoples would be required, Dr. Catlin said.

Whatever shape a union of Western Europe took, Germany must be induced to join it.

—Reuter.

Stop-Gap Aid To China: U.S. To Supervise Scheme

Washington, Feb. 2.

Authoritative sources disclosed this week-end that final decision has been reached on how to spend the \$18,000,000 interim United States aid for China which Congress voted late last year. Most of it will be spent for food.

This stop-gap aid is supposed to tide the Chinese over until the 15-month American aid plan of \$300,000,000 or more is approved by Congress.

The informants said that State Department and other officials engaged in working out a schedule of purchases to be made under the \$18,000,000 plan have now completed their allocations and procurement and shipment "can start anytime."

They said the plan calls for spending almost \$14,000,000 of this aid to buy 50,000 tons of United States rice, and another \$2,700,000 will go to the purchase of 21,000 tons of wheat. About \$1,500,000 will remain and is allocated for the purchase of corn, medical supplies and insecticides.

Distribution of these relief commodities, it was said, will be made by the Chinese Government "with the advice and supervision of food experts attached to the United States Embassy in Nanking."—United Press.

CUSTOMS' BAG

Nanking, Feb. 2.

The Customs authorities today announced that CN\$317,000,000,000 worth of contraband was seized during 1947 in more than 23,000 smuggling cases.

The authorities said that Canton leads in the number of cases but Shanghai leads in the value of contraband seized, which is almost 40 percent of the total.—United Press.

Less Food, More Mouths To Feed

Lake Success, Feb. 1.

The total world food production fell seven percent in 1947-48 as compared with pre-war, but the population increased by 200,000,000, a United Nations Economic and Social Council report said today.

The general world production, much as 15 percent more, in two years after the end of the war was also said to be less than ten years ago.

The greatest reductions in food crop production occurred in the regions which had large food deficits even before the war. The import needs of those regions had, therefore, risen sharply.

Though production in the world's food exporting countries had greatly increased, large parts of the additional output were being consumed domestically.

The result was that some countries now consumed 30 percent less food per head than before the war, while others consumed as

much as 15 percent more. The lack of economic balance in the world was manifest not only in shortages of supply in several countries, the report claimed.

In international transactions, it was reflected in "unprecedented deficits in the foreign transactions of most countries."

The report contended it was essential that national and international action be considered now, when the levels of employment are high in almost all the world, to ensure that full employment is maintained if it should prove that the factors underlying the high level of economic activity are not permanent.—Reuter.

AEGEAN SEA ATTACK

Smyrna, Feb. 1.

An armed motorboat of unknown nationality attacked the Turkish motorboat Messut, off Samos Island, in the Aegean Sea. The armed boat chased the Messut and boarded her near the Turkish shore. Turkish Coast Guards opened fire and the motorboat escaped to sea. It was believed here that the unknown boat was manned by Greek partisans.—Reuter.

Jewish Blueprint For Palestine

London, Feb. 2.

The world must realise that the Jews were determined to establish and secure their state, "come what may," Professor S. Brodetsky, a member of the Jewish Agency Executive, told a conference of the Zionist Federation here tonight. He declared: "In spite of all the difficulties which now stand in our way, we are blue-printing our state. We are aspiring to make it a model of social justice and equity for all its inhabitants."

Professor Brodetsky also said that the Palestine Government's insistence on neutrality meant that the Jews were being frustrated in their attempts to defend themselves, while the Arabs "had access to arms and volunteers which were coming in freely from the neighbouring countries."—Reuter.

Soviet House Cleaning

Berlin, Feb. 1.

EXTENSIVE CHANGES IN THE TOP RANKS OF THE SOVIET MILITARY ADMINISTRATION FOR GERMANY ARE FORECAST HERE BY GERMAN CIRCLES IN CLOSE BUSINESS AND POLITICAL CONTACT WITH THE SOVIET HEAD-QUARTERS AT KARLSHORST.

A gradual staff reorganisation, which would strengthen the civilian representation at the expense of the military, has already begun according to these sources.

As evidence, they point to important structural changes in the Soviet administration and the prolonged absences or replacements of some key men.

Such changes are never announced publicly by the Soviet authorities. The changes are reported to have started after the visit to Germany last autumn of M. Beria, the Soviet Deputy Premier, and to have a two-fold purpose:

1.—The gradual interspersing of the present Soviet military organisation with civilians better able to establish satisfactory relations with German officials and politicians.

2.—Strengthening the Russian Communist Party influence in the Soviet Military Government.—Reuter.

Chinese Demand To Siam

Bangkok, Feb. 2.

The Chinese Embassy, in a special communique issued here, has reiterated its demand that the immigration quota for Chinese should be based upon the average number of Chinese immigrants who arrived in Siam in the 15 years prior to the war (1927-1941).

The Embassy protested that the 10,000 annual immigration quota, established for 1947, was sufficient only to cover new arrivals from May 1 until October and that continuation of the quota at the same number—as has already been announced by the Siam Government—on the basis of arrivals during the "abnormal" war years would not be a "fair and just" handling of the problem.

The communique outlined in detail all steps taken by the Chinese Government to seek an "adjustment" and accused the Siam Government of setting up the quota without giving the Chinese Government adequate time to present its side of the case, under provisions of the Sino-Siam Treaty of Amity which states that the problem should be discussed by representatives of both Governments.—United Press.

Supersonic Ram Jet Engine

Washington, Feb. 2.

The U.S. Navy said today that a new ram jet engine—the largest ever to be flown — has gone "far into the supersonic" speed range.

The new "flying stovepipe" has power "considerably in excess" of the 14,000 horse-power of the largest four-engine plane.

This was the first formal announcement the Navy has made on the ram jet engine developments since it sent a small model at 1,500 m.p.h. in June, 1946.

Pound for pound the new model delivers 27 times the power of the best conventional engine of 5,000 horse power. The new ram jet duct is shaped like a stovepipe.

The Navy said the model has completed a successful test flight at the naval ordnance station at Inyokern, California. It is intended ultimately to power guided missiles.

Because it has no moving parts it can be produced rapidly and cheaply, and is especially suitable for expendable missiles.

A rocket has to be used to boost the ram jet to supersonic speeds. The rocket then drops off and the ram jet continues under its own power.—United Press.

TRAINS COLLIDE

Iowa City, Feb. 2.

The Rocky Mountain Rocket, Chicago to Denver streamliner of Rock Island Railroad, ripped into the rear of a freight train near the depot here today, killing one member of the freight crew and the freight conductor and injuring at least 20 other persons.

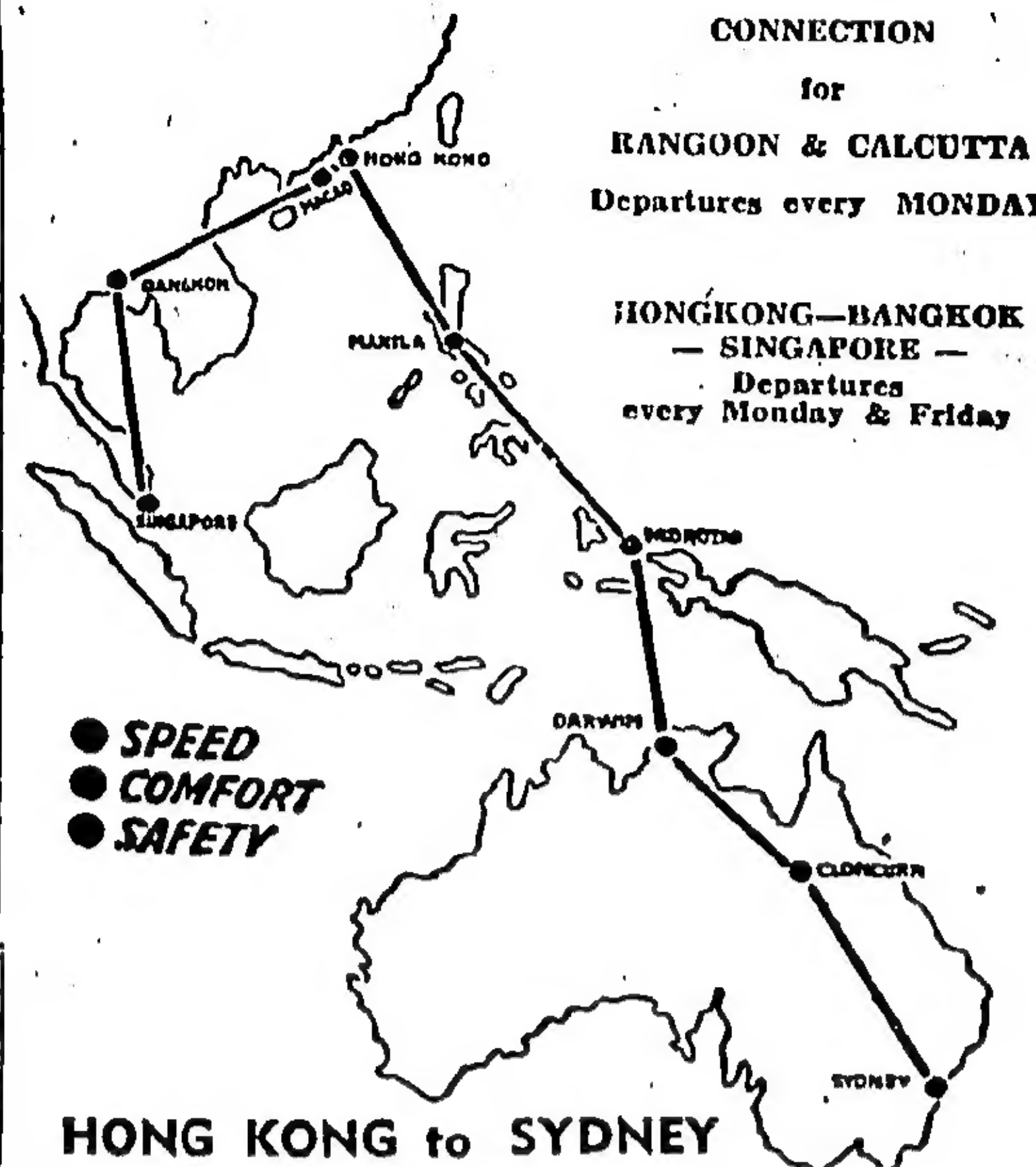
Members of the Colorado College basketball team were reported to have been on the Rocket, but this report was not confirmed. None of the team was mentioned on the casualty list.—United Press.

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Ashes To Be Immersed In Holy Waters

Pilgrimages To Birla House

New Delhi, Feb. 1. The ashes of Mahatma Gandhi will tomorrow be put in a clay bowl and during the next few days will be immersed in the holy waters of the Rivers Ganges and Jumna where they meet at Allahabad. Immersing the ashes is in accordance with customary Vedic rites. It is believed that a fitting national memorial will be built at Rajghat, where the Mahatma was cremated.

At the prayer meeting three girls, including the Mahatma's grand-daughter and grand-daughter-in-law, who always accompanied the Mahatma on his prayer meetings, were standing near the burned out pyre.

After the prayers, the congregation, to the accompaniment of devotional chants, filed round the brick base of the pyre.

Pandit Nehru, the Prime Minister, was among the several thousand people who this evening attended the prayer meeting.

The car in which the Prime Minister arrived was followed by a jeep with four armed policemen.

Bouquet Of Roses

At Pure he took off his sandals and laid a small bouquet of roses and a wreath on the pyre, afterwards bowing towards it.

As he emerged from the barbed-wire enclosure, crowds surged round and tried to touch his feet, shouting "Victory to Gandhi", "Victory to Nehru."

Meanwhile, back at Birla House, bamboo poles had been erected to discourage people from scooping up handfuls of earth to preserve as sacred relics.

Both men and women were, however, slipping through the poles and falling on their knees to say a short prayer and retiring with some earth. Already there is a pile about a foot deep.

Immortal

Earlier, a scrap of paper was at the place with the words in Hindi and Urdu, "Victory to Mahatma Gandhi. The Mahatma is immortal. You must remember this. We are as good as dead if we forget his message." It was signed "A Distressed S. ul."

There were many cars and tongas (horse-drawn carriages) outside Birla House and a few hundred people inside the grounds.

Many went to the window of the room in which the Mahatma did and stood there for a few seconds in meditation.

Everything inside the room was spotless. There was a picture of the Mahatma on a little cotton-covered mattress where he used to squat and sleep.

Pilgrimage

Also on the mattress was a Burmese peasant's hat which the Mahatma received from Thakin Nu, the Burmese Prime Minister, during his last visit to Delhi and a single red rose.

Beside the mattress is a crude spinning wheel which the Mahatma used and a small vase in which incense used to burn.

Princes, politicians and paupers, their hands filled with rose petals and many with tears in their eyes, filed past the Mahatma's ashes here on a last pilgrimage.

In striking contrast to yesterday's tumultuous scenes at the funeral when the vast crowds surged forward and were only with great difficulty held in check, the mourners, many of whom removed their shoes and walked barefoot, moved quietly forward to place their flowers.—Reuter.

GANDHI'S LAST EDITORIAL

Bombay, Feb. 1.

Mahatma Gandhi died on Friday with the desire in his heart that the Indian National Congress, of which he was President in 1924, should live to win economic, social and moral freedom for India, it was disclosed today when the last of the Mahatma's leaders to his weekly paper, Harijan ("Untouchable") was published.

Under the caption "Congress's position," the Mahatma wrote: "The Indian National Congress, which is the oldest national political organisation and which has after many battles fought her non-violent way to freedom, cannot be allowed to die. It can only die with the nation.

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PERSIA AFTER U.S. ARMS

Tehran, Feb. 1. The Persian Government today asked Parliament for authority to contract a United States loan to buy \$10,000,000 dollars worth of United States arms and ammunition. The bill was submitted for study by a special Parliamentary committee.—Reuter.

Didn't Want To Live

NEW YORK, FEB. 2. MARGARET BOURKE-WHITE, SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT FOR COLUMBIA BROADCASTING, SAID IN A BROADCAST FROM NEW DELHI LAST NIGHT THAT MOHANDAS K. GANDHI TOLD HER THE DAY HE WAS ASSASSINATED HE HAD LOST ALL HOPE OF LIVING TO 125.

Miss Bourke-White said she interviewed the Indian leader shortly before he was murdered, and added:

"And when I asked why, he answered, 'Because of the terrible happenings in the world. I don't want to live in darkness.'

"He paused, and added 'If my services are needed, I am commanded. I shall live to be 125 years old.'

"Little did either of us know that he was then living the last day of his life."—Associated Press.

CHANDRA BOSE MYTH REVIVED

LONDON, FEB. 2. SUBHAS CHANDRA BOSE, INDIAN NATIONAL ARMY LEADER, WILL NOW EMERGE "TO FILL THE VACUUM LEFT BY GANDHI'S PASSING," ACCORDING TO MEMBERS OF THE SUBHAS SOCIETY HERE.

Bose was reported killed in a plane crash in Formosa in August, 1945, but his adherents persist in believing that he still lives, probably somewhere in the Soviet Union.

Members of the Society, K. P. Dalal from Bengal, P. S. Misra from Kashmir and J. Haque from Pakistan, reiterated their belief and said the time was now opportune for Bose to reappear.

"He alone can fill the vacuum left by Gandhi's death," they said. "Subhas is a man of violence, but he also is a disciple of the Mahatma and a believer in Hindu-Muslim unity. Such influence is required more than anything in India today."

—United Press.

Prepare For Atom Attack

WASHINGTON, FEB. 2. SEN. ALEXANDER WILEY, WILSONIAN REPUBLICAN, REPORTED TODAY THAT DEFENSE SECRETARY JAMES FORRESTAL AND THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF ARE STUDYING DECENTRALISATION OF THE ARMED FORCES AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR SECURITY AGAINST AN ATOMIC ATTACK.

Writing in "Reserve Officer," Sen. Wiley said an atomic war with Russia could turn the capital instantly into a "death trap for American liberty."

Asserting "we are now living in a fool's paradise of apathy and inertia," Sen. Wiley added: We must decentralise or risk the destiny of national extinction."

Sen. Wiley has introduced legislation embodying his ideas of preparing for an atomic assault which might wipe out Washington and other large cities.—United Press.

Cominform Sets Up Editors Body

Belgrade, Feb. 1. The nine-nation Cominform decided at a meeting here to set up a permanent organisation of editors, it was announced today.

The meeting, the first to be held in Belgrade, took place in the middle of January.

The Communist parties represented were from Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Rumania, Hungary, Poland, the Soviet Union, Italy, France and Czechoslovakia.

It carried a three-column article by the German Communist leader, Herr Otto Grotewohl, joint Chairman of the Socialist Unity Party, on "The German working class in the struggle for a united Germany."

The article, the first statement on Germany by a German published by the organ, reviewed the political situation and attacked the administration in the Anglo-American zones. Herr Grotewohl alleged Germany could have been restored "to a considerable degree, had the Potsdam decisions on the unity of Germany been carried out."

He said the Socialist Unity Party, formed from the unification of the Social Democrat and Communist parties in the Soviet Zone, was now numerically the strongest in Germany, with a membership of 2,225,000, including "Communist Party members and sympathisers in the Western Zones."—Reuter.

HEIRESS BETTER

Berne, Feb. 1.

Hospital attendants said tonight that the condition of Princess (Barbara) Hutton Troubetzkoy, 35-year-old heiress, had taken an "extraordinary change for the better" and that she was no longer in any danger.

Barbara had been gravely ill since an abdominal operation eight days ago. She suffered a relapse but rallied after a second, less serious operation was performed yesterday.—United Press.

Army Pension Scandal

Washington, Feb. 1.

The House Armed Services Subcommittee sets out tomorrow to try to learn why some high-ranking Army and Navy officers draw disability pensions from the Government while they hold down well-paying civilian jobs.

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TRAVEL BAN ON BRITONS TO BE LIFTED

London, Feb. 1.

It was believed in responsible circles in London today that the ban on Britons spending their holidays in Switzerland would be lifted on or about May 1 as a result of the Anglo-Swiss trade talks which were successfully concluded last week.

An official communiqué on the talks is to be issued simultaneously in London and Bern tomorrow, and it is taken for granted that this point will be included. It implies that Switzerland has been brought within the scope of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin's recent announcement that a resumption of foreign travel would be allowed to countries where arrangements had been made to prevent a drain on Britain's gold or hard currency reserves. The sum permitted to be taken abroad annually would be limited to £135 for adults and £25 for children.

The date of May 1 has already been disclosed as the earliest probable date for the relaxing of the general travel ban, and it was believed to-day that it would be the actual date.

The arrangements with Switzerland will equally apply to all the other countries concerned. Those originally mentioned were France, Holland and Norway.

France's new currency measures have complicated the case, but the highest London authority has stated that it is still hoped to make the necessary arrangements.

Switzerland raised the point that her exclusion from the arrangements would violate the most favoured nation clause. Now that it has been decided to Switzerland, any other country could of course raise the same point. Britain has no intention or desire to discriminate, always excepting the overriding need to protect her reserves.

The resumption of travel to Switzerland further implies that necessary arrangements have been made to rectify the trade balance between Switzerland and the overseas sterling area.

Britain had herself a favourable balance with Switzerland throughout last year and could have afforded to allow travel. What upset the situation was the heavy deficit of the overseas sterling area with Switzerland.—Reuter.

POLICE NOTICE

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W. la B. SPARROW,
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Hongkong, 31st Jan., 1948.

NEWS CENSORSHIP LIFTED

Baghdad, Feb. 1. The new Iraqi Cabinet tonight lifted the censorship on the national press and foreign correspondents.

Fifteen papers suspended by the previous Cabinet were freed and freedom of the press was announced.—Reuter.

MARINE COURT**The "KWONG TUNG" Casualty**

His Excellency the Governor under his hand and the seal of the Colony has convened a Marine Court to investigate the casualty which occurred to the River Steamer "Kwong Tung" on the 31st January, 1948.

2. The Court will consist of the following three members:—

James Jolly, Esq., C.B.E., R.D., Director of Marine and Marine Magistrate. President of the Court.

Lieutenant Commander John Buchanan Philip Stirling, Royal Navy.

Captain William Lumsden, Master Mariner.

3. The investigation will take place in the Marine Office and will commence at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday the 4th February, 1948.

4. Any person who shows that he or she has an interest in the investigation has a right to appear and be heard, and any other person may appear and be heard by leave of the Court.

Such persons should give their names and addresses to the Court Clerk before the appointed day, when arrangements will be made to notify them of the time and date to attend so as to prevent inconvenience to those wishing to be heard.

J. JOLLY,
President of the Marine Court.

Marine Office,
2nd February, 1948.

THE WHISKERS' CLUB

When Roger the Raven threw
Whisk into the lake, he sank
and sank. Just as he was
expecting to touch the bot-
tom something slid under-
neath him, up he went and
suddenly he was out of the
water.



He found he was riding on the
back of his old friend the
Salmon, who had heard the
commotion on the island
and arrived just in time to
save Whisk from Roger.
Whisk soon stopped happily
ashore.

Girl Plagues Her "Ideal Husband"

Helping, Feb. 2. The National Peiping University, "father of the Chinese renaissance" and wartime university, was plagued today by a 22-year-old girl at the head of her school, who has been petitioning him to marry her and threatened to freeze death outside his home if he refused. The girl, Miss Hu Ching, wrote to Mr. Hu, the father, "I am a student of your university and know what an ideal husband should be like. You are my ideal one."

Dr. Hu was unable to con-
vince the girl to go. He finally
was forced to call the poli-
ce who are holding her for a
medical investigation regard-

Yangtze Shipping Strangled By Red Strategy

Hankow, Feb. 2.

The strangulation of river commerce by operations of the Chinese Communists and partly due to deterioration of foreign shipping in Shanghai, has resulted in shipping along this section of the Yangtze being cut in half, a shipping spokesman revealed.

The spokesman, an official of the Min Song Development Company, said that decrease in the arrival of commodities from Shanghai was "remarkable," and that the bulk of goods arriving here for down-river shipment were rice and cereals consigned mainly to the military.

But with the up-river traffic in tung oil, sugar and other farm products dwindling, in both arrivals and departures, the spokesman said "the amount of traffic in these commodities has decreased to less than 50 percent."

"The shipment of goods to ports along the middle section of the Yangtze is also decreasing," he said, attributing this mainly to the scarcity of supplies from Shanghai as well as disruption of the Peiping-Hankow railway by the Communists.

At Ichang, he said, ordinary traffic would result in daily

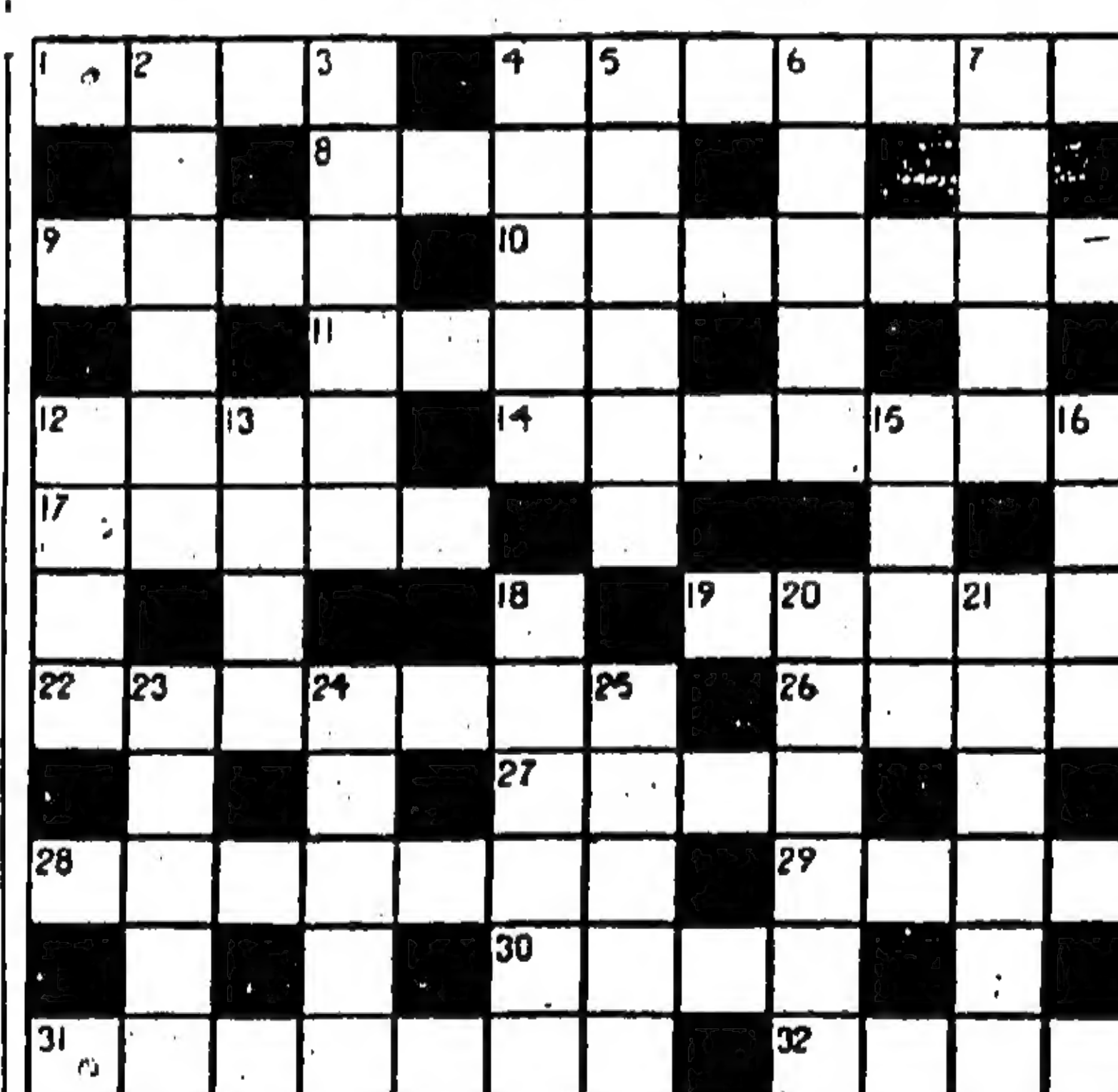
shipments totalling 10,000
pounds piling up on the docks.
Now, he said that figure has
dropped greatly.—United Press.

£1 SHARES NOW WORTH THOUSANDS

Perth, Feb. 2.

Two original shares of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company, Ltd., have been submitted for valuation to a Perth broker.

Bought 40 years ago in the U.S., the shares, with a face value of £1, are now estimated to be worth thousands of pounds. They are to be auctioned to England for evaluation. The two shares have a complete set of unissued dividend warrants attached.—United Press.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE**Clues Across**

- 1 Pierce.
- 4 Train.
- 9 Sparc.
- 10 Military.
- 11 headless.
- 12 Incomplete.
- 11 Neat.
- 12 Marrow.
- 14 Ordained.
- 17 Willow.

Clues Down

- 2 Essay.
- 3 Happy.
- 4 Swift.
- 5 Kind of paint.
- 6 Busy.
- 7 Custom.
- 12 Orientation.
- 13 Weary.
- 15 Besides.

Yesterday's Crossword

Across:—1 Custom, 5 Moors, 8 Waver, 9 Vener, 10 Aisle, 11 Sting, 12 Rued, 13 Dices, 16 Patent, 18 Cellar, 20 Geese, 22 Aura, 23 Tarn.

Down:—2 Tinged, 3 Tenet, 4 Asked, 20 Defend, 21 Covering, 2 Sentence, 3 Oves, 4 Martial, 5 Meander, 6 Origin, 7 Relic, 14 Struggle, 15 Stranded, 16 Pleased, 17 Tainted, 19 Estate, 21 Emits, 24 Site.

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"TREVAYLOR"	Shanghai	3rd Mar.
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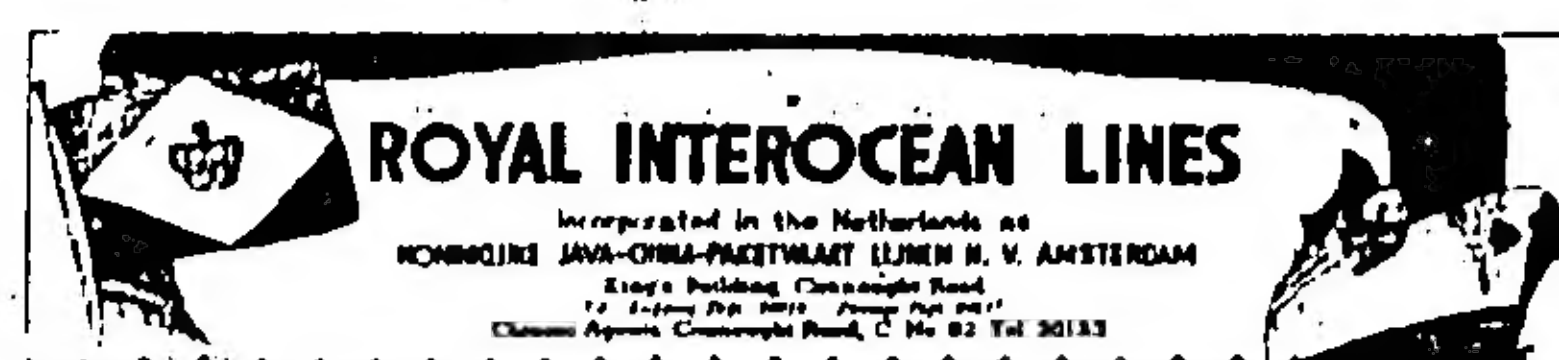
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 Dar-Es-Salaam, Mombasa & Zanzibar.

RUYS In Port South Africa
 10th March.

SUMATRA-MALAYA-CHINA SERVICE
"HEINRICHJESSEN" Due from Sailing for
 Belawan Deli Singapore-Penang
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 Singapore 12th Feb.
 Sailing for Swatow & Amoy

Agents HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE
EUROPE SERVICE
"LEOPOLDSKERK" Due from Loading for
 Japan & Manila/Singapore/
 Shanghai, Colombo/Suez/
 8th Feb. East Said/
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 Genoa/Marseilles/
 Antwerp/Rotterdam/
 Amsterdam/Hamburg/
 Copenhagen/
 Githenborg/Oslo
 8th & 9th Feb.

"MOENKERK" Shanghai & Japan Manila/Singapore/
 on or about Colombo/Suez/
 24th Feb. Port Said/
 Alexandria,
 Genoa/Marseilles/
 Antwerp/Rotterdam/
 Amsterdam/Hamburg/
 Copenhagen/
 Githenborg/Oslo
 on or about 24th Feb.

"MEERKERK" Europe, Manila/Singapore
 Mid Feb. Colombo/Suez/
 Port Said/
 Alexandria,
 Genoa/Marseilles/
 Antwerp/Rotterdam/
 Amsterdam/Hamburg/
 Copenhagen/
 Githenborg/Oslo
 early March.

Agents: SILVER LINE LTD.
ATLANTIC COAST SERVICE
"HENDONHALL" Due from Sailing for
 U.S. Atlantic ports, U.S. Atlantic Coast
 on or about 9th March. Ports via
 Singapore and Suez.

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U.S.A. LOADING DATES

Loads	Date	Vessel
Pacific Coast Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	Mid. Feb.	m.v. "HEMLAND"
	Mid. Feb.	m.v. "MINDORO"
ARRIVALS		
From	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	16th Feb.	m.v. "DONA NATI"
	Early March	m.v. "TONGHAI"
SAILINGS		
For	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	21st Feb.	m.v. "DONA NATI"
	Early March	m.v. "TONGHAI"

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 5 1/2% Loan 109.

BANKS
 H.K. & S. Bank 205 1/2, 210 1/2.
 (Lon. Reg.) 211 1/2.
 Chartered Bank 211 1/2.
 Mercantile B. A. D. 221 1/2.
 Bank of East Asia 130.

INSURANCES
 Canton Ins. 30 1/2, 30 1/2.
 Union Ins. 78 1/2, 78 1/2, 78 1/2.
 China Underwriters 78.
 H.K. Fire Ins. 310.

SHIPPING
 Douglas 250.
 H.K. & M. Steamships 150.
 Indo China (Freight) 100.
 Indo China (Charter) 100.
 Shells (Steamer) 100.
 U. Waterboats (Old) 50.
 U. Waterboats (New) 44 1/2.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.
 H.K. & S. Wharves (Old) 165.
 H.K. & S. Wharves (New) 165.
 (New) (P. D.) 95.
 H.K. Docks 30 1/2, 30 1/2.
 China Dockyards 25 1/2, 25 1/2, 25 1/2.

MINING
 Roub Mines 5 1/2.
 H.K. Mines 30.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.
 H. & S. Hotel 21 1/2, 24 1/2, 24 1/2.
 H.K. Land (Old) 8 1/2, 8 1/2, 8 1/2.
 H.K. Land (New) 8 1/2.
 H.K. Hotel 100.
 Hongkong Estates 310, 300.

PUBLIC UTILITIES
 H.K. Tramways 24, 24 1/2.
 Peak Tram (Old) 150.
 Peak Tram (New) 90.
 Star Electric 1400.
 Yau-mat Ferry 340.

C. Lights (Old) 21 1/2, 21 1/2, 21 1/2.
 C. Light (New) 16 1/2, 17.
 H.K. Electric (Old) 55 1/2, 55 1/2.
 H.K. Electric (New) 55 1/2, 55 1/2.

GENCOA ELECTRIC
 Sandakan Lights 100.
 Telephones (Old) 40, 39 1/2.
 Telephones (New) 37 1/2, 38 1/2.
 Shanghai Gas 6 1/2.

INDUSTRIALS
 Cold. Mack. (Old) 21 1/2.
 Canton Ice 70.
 Cement (Old) 28 1/2, 40, 38 1/2, 38 1/2.
 Cement (New) 35.

H.K. House 21 1/2, 21 1/2, 21 1/2.
 H.K. House 21 1/2, 21 1/2, 21 1/2.

STORES
 Dairy Farms (A. B.) 67 1/2, 68.
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Dairy Farms Rights 48 1/2, 48 1/2.
 42 1/2, 43 1/2.
 Watsons X.R. 57 1/2, 57 1/2, 57 1/2.
 Lane, Crawford 51 1/2, 54 1/2, 55 1/2.

SHOPS
 Sincere 8200.
 China Emporium 120.
 Sun Co. Ltd. 50.
 Kwong Hong 2000.
 Wing On (H.K.) 1000.
 Wm. Powell Ltd. 12 1/2.
 Watson Rich 27 1/2, 27 1/2, 27 1/2.

MISCELLANEOUS
 China Entertainments 80.
 H.K. Constructions (Old) 5 1/2.
 H.K. Constructions (New) 50.
 Vibro Piling 10 1/2.
 Naraman Investments 13 1/2.
 Naraman (H.K.) 1400.
 COTTONS

Ewos 17 1/2.
 Anglo Java 9 1/2, 9 1/2.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES
"CHIR. SASS"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godown, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors. Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on Friday, 7th February, 1948.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 7th February, 1948, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before 17th February, 1948, or they will not be recognized.

No fire Insurance will be effected.

CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1948.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
HOLDING

P. & O. B. I. & E. & A. BILLS OF LADING

Messrs. Goddard & Douglas will attend at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays within the free storage period to survey damaged cargo, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present. Unless consignees' representatives are present at the Survey no claims can thereafter be admitted.

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Aiding Marshall Plan For Europe

Washington, Feb. 2.

Representative Frank L. Sundstrom, New Jersey Republican, proposed today a totally new issue of United States currency, to "smoke out" foreign hoarders of American dollars.

Americans holding present dollars simply would turn them in for new ones of equal value, under Sundstrom's plan.

But it would aid the European recovery programme, said aides of the New Jersey Congressman, by making foreign hoarders exchange their dollars for currencies of their own countries.

Sundstrom said Treasury figures disclose there are now US\$5,000,000,000 in U.S. currency outstanding and that the Government printing office could print an equivalent amount of new currency in two and one-third years at no extra expense. The change-over could be made in one year by adding an extra shift of printers, he said.

Sundstrom said incidental benefits of his plan would include "destruction" of black markets and a closer check on wealth of tax evaders who do business in cash rather than keep books.—Associated Press.

Billions?

Sundstrom's bill is due for introduction in the House of Representatives on Monday. He is a member of the Banking Committee.

The measure would direct the Treasury to call in all present currency and "give" new currency equal in exchange therefore.

Sundstrom said US\$28,567,000,000 in United States currency was outstanding as of September 1947, and declared: "No one knows how much of this amount is hoarded abroad by individuals and private foreign business interests. Competent authorities estimate it runs into billions of dollars."

Under Sundstrom's plan, foreign holders of American money would be required to turn it in to the Government of their own country within a certain time limit. In exchange, they would receive the equivalent in the currency of their country. These countries then would exchange the old dollars for new ones.

"This would give American dollars to foreign countries which are badly in need of dollars to buy American goods and help them along the road to recovery," Sundstrom explained.

Black Markets

"And this, in turn, would save the United States Government a huge sum of money which would otherwise be required for European relief."

Money Market

Gold receded a little yesterday, opening at \$335.50 and closing at \$333.25 a troy ounce, highest and lowest rates of the day were \$335.50 and \$331.50.

Piastres opened at \$10.47 1/2 and closed at \$10.97 1/2 a 100.

Chinese National Currency opened at 30 1/2 cents for future and 35 1/2 cents for spot (for CN\$10,000) and closed at 31 cents and 37 cents respectively.

Ticals were slightly easier at \$26.70 a 100, while N.E.L. Guilders went up to \$32.00 a 100.

U.S. dollars were quoted at \$5.11 in the morning but eased off to \$5.08 1/2 at the close.

Sterling was unchanged at \$12.88, and Australian pounds were quoted at \$12.52.

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Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors. Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on Friday, 7th February, 1948.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 7th February, 1948, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before 17th February, 1948, or they will not be recognized.

No fire Insurance will be effected.

CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1948.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
S.S. "MENELAUS"

Damaged cargo ex the above vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at Holt's Wharf from 10 a.m. 4th February, 1948, and consignees' representatives are requested to be present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
 Agents.

Hong Kong, 3rd Feb., 1948.

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Rayon's Record Output

New York, Feb. 2.

United States production of rayon yarn and staple fibre was the largest in history in 1947, totalling 975,100,000 pounds, 14 percent more than in the preceding year, the Textile Economics Bureau announced.

If production of non-cellulose base manufactured fibres such as nylon, rayon, casedin and protein fibres are included, total output was more than 1,000,000,000 pounds, the Bureau said.

Filament yarn accounted for 746,700,000 pounds of total rayon production while staple accounted for 228,400,000.

The largest increase over the previous year was the viscose process staple.

The Bureau estimated total world production of rayon staple last year was 2,000,000,000 pounds, an increase of 20 percent over 1946.—Associated Press.

GOLD SEIZURES

Shanghai, Feb. 2.

Gold bars and foreign currencies seized from blackmarket operators, valued at US\$40,000, were turned over by police to the Finance Control Bureau of the Government.

Copper production also increased 39 percent, chiefly because of the absence of labour strike problems that handicapped the industry in 1946.

Recovery of gold in 1947 totalled 2,090,013 fine ounces—33 percent above 1946 and 119 percent more than the 1945 figure.

The price of gold remained stable throughout the year at US\$35 an ounce.—Associated Press.

MAERSK LINE

Notice To Consignees

THE M/V "MARCHEN"

MAERSK having arrived from New York and Ports of call, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 7th January, 1948 will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 6th Jan. 1948 at 10 a.m. by our Surveyor Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No Insurance will be effected.

JEBSEN & CO.,
 Agents

Hong Kong, 1st February, 1948.

Notice To Consignees
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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
 Agents.

Hong Kong, 3rd Feb., 1948.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
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Hong Kong, 2nd Feb., 1948.

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SS "General Meigs" (via Manila) April 3

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SS "President Pierce" (S. F. Direct) Mar. 10

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"SHENGKING" 4 p.m. 8th Feb.
"NEWCHWANG" 4 p.m. 8th Feb.
"YOKOHAMA" 4 p.m. 9th Feb.
"YOKOHAMA" 4 p.m. 11th Feb.
"HUNAN" 3 p.m. 13th Feb.
"AMOI" 5 p.m. 15th Feb.
"SINKIANG" 10 a.m. 17th Feb.
"FUKIANG" 4 p.m. 17th Feb.
"FUKIANG" 4 p.m. 21st Feb.

ARRIVALS FROM

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Agents: Australian-Oriental Line, Ltd.

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Strait Steamship (J.C.P.L.) to Shanghai
Yonghe (J.C.P.L.) to Shanghai

ARRIVALS TODAY

Dezaria (H. & O.) from Shanghai
New Zealand Victory (J.C.P.L.) from
Pacific Coast

DEPARTURES TODAY

Glenn (H. & O.) to Shanghai
Marchen Maersk (J.C.P.L.) to
Tahiti
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Feb. 4, BOAC Capt. Horn)
Singapore via Bangkok
Feb. 4, Cathay Pacific, 2 p.m.
Feb. 5, Cathay Pacific, 2 p.m.

Manila

Feb. 3, Cathay Pacific, 12.30
Feb. 10, Cathay Pacific, 12.30
p.m.

Shanghai

Daily, CNAC, 10.45 a.m.
Feb. 4, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.
Feb. 6, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.
Feb. 8, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.

Canton

H.K. Airways, thrice daily:
10.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m. & 5.30 p.m.

San Francisco

(Via Honolulu, Wake, Guam,
Manila)
Feb. 4, Pan-American, 12.45
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Feb. 7, Pan-American, 12.45
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San Francisco

(Via Honolulu, Wake, Guam,
Okinawa, Shanghai)
Feb. 5, Pan-American, 4.45
p.m.
Feb. 12, Pan-American, 4.45
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Salmon

Feb. 6, Air France, 2 p.m.
Feb. 26, Air France, 2 p.m.

Departures To:

Feb. 4, BOAC Capt. Burnett)
Singapore via Bangkok
Feb. 4, Cathay Pacific, 7 a.m.
Feb. 9, Cathay Pacific, 7 a.m.

Manila

Feb. 4, Cathay Pacific, 3 p.m.
Feb. 9, Cathay Pacific, 2.30
p.m.
Feb. 11, Cathay Pacific, 3 p.m.

Shanghai

Daily, CNAC, 11.30 a.m.
Feb. 3, H.K. Airways, 10 a.m.
Feb. 5, H.K. Airways, 10 a.m.
Feb. 7, H.K. Airways, 10 a.m.

Canton

H.K. Airways, thrice daily:
8.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m. & 3.30 p.m.

San Francisco

(Via Honolulu, Guam, Wake &
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Feb. 5, Pan-American, 8 a.m.

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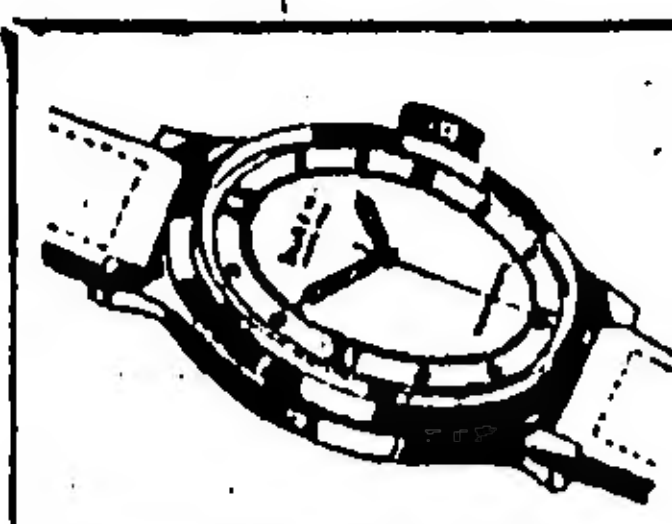
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Olympic Winter Sports Policeman Shot In Leg!

St. Moritz, Feb. 1.
A Swiss policeman was shot in the leg, and Major Maurice Willoughby, of the Highland Light Infantry, a member of the British military team, narrowly escaped injury when a Swedish competitor in the Winter Olympics pistol shooting event loosed off a shot by mistake when he was turning away from the range.

Seven-A-Side Rugby Tournament

The annual seven-a-side Rugby Tournament, in aid of charity, will be held on the ground of the Hong Kong Football Club on Saturday, March 6 and March 13 this year and entries are invited from teams of civilians, Police, R. M. Ships and Shore Establishments, Land Forces and R.A.F. and any other interested contestants.

Entries including name of team, the name of team organizer, address, telephone number, team colours and names of eight players from whom the team is to be selected, should be submitted to Mr. F. Crawford, Butterfield & Swire, before 12 noon on Tuesday Feb. 17 the draw will take place on Wednesday Feb. 18 and will be published in the press.

There has been a tremendous increase in support for rugby in the Colony this year and much greater enthusiasm has been displayed and it is hoped therefore that there will be a record entry for the 7's this year. Provided the weather is kind, and with good public support, a substantial sum should be donated to local charities.

War Game Off New South Wales

Sydney, Feb. 2.
United States Task Force 38 and units of the Royal Australian Navy and Royal Air Force will engage in a series of battle-scale exercises at the coast of New South Wales.

The exercise will take place 200 miles north of Sydney.

R.A.A.F. bombers and fighters will attack the American ships. Planes from the American carrier "Valley Forge" will counter attack.

The Task Force is at the moment making a five-day visit to Sydney.

Following the war exercises, the "Valley Forge" accompanied by the destroyers "H. G. Luce" and "L. Thomas," "Kempster" and "H. M. Wood," will pay a visit to Hong Kong. They are due to arrive here on Wednesday February 10th, and to remain here till Feb. 20th.

Gen. Matsui Evidence Rejected

Tokyo, Feb. 2.
The War Crimes Tribunal today rejected defence evidence purporting to show that Gen. Iwane Matsui had no territorial or political ambitions in China. Matsui was commander of the Japanese troops in Central China at the time of the "rape of Nanking."

In his own deposition, which the Tribunal refused to admit, Matsui professed also that during 1938 he sought peace with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek through Chiang's brother-in-law, Dr. T. V. Soong.

He said that while commander of the Japanese Central China Army he sent a message to Soong "urging him to make efforts to bring about a peace movement between China and Japan."

He added that Soong's financial clique, closely associated with the backbone of the Kuomintang, Matsui said after year he gave several public talks to the effect that "we must not harbour any territorial, economical or political ambitions, and must undergo sacrifices in order to help China reconstruct itself."

Sole Evidence:
This was Matsui's only evidence tendered in rebuttal. Surrebutted evidence, in the form of documents, today covered five defendants, namely Marshal Shunroku Hata, Foreign Minister Koki Hirota, Gen. Jiro Minami, Gen. Matsui and Gen. Akira Muro.

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Couldn't "Stand" A Caning

"Yes sir, good-morning, sir," a cheery voice rang out from inside the crowded dock at Central Magistracy yesterday in answer to the Interpreter's call for Chan Yun-wah, charged with larceny by snatching.

Up popped a slip of a boy, who then started to jitter un-intelligibly.

"Speak in Chinese," the Magistrate cut short his pantomime.

The overture over, the case proceeded.

Inspector Moran said that defendant, who gave his age as 18, snatched a parcel from an amah in Hollywood Road. A Chinese detective, arrested the youthful defendant near Gough Street.

The parcel, containing hair clips, stockings and handkerchiefs, valued at \$15, was recovered and returned to Kwun On-lan, of No. 113, Cause Road.

Mr. F. X. d'Almeida sentenced defendant, who had a previous conviction, to six months imprisonment plus 10 strokes and recommended him for banishment.

"I cannot stand being caged," the youth told the Magistrate.

"It's up to the doctor to say that," Mr. d'Almeida retorted.

Bobby Riggs Beats Jack Kramer

Miami Beach, Florida, Feb. 2.
Bobby Riggs found the clay courts here much to his liking today and outstroked his professional tennis rival, Jack Kramer, 6-4, 1-6, 6-2, before 1,800 fans.

Kramer had trouble getting his smash game working properly on the clay, where Riggs, a veteran retriever, was right at home.

The match left Kramer leading 12-11 in the winter exhibition series. The two will play

in Tuesday at Palm Beach, Florida.

In the preliminary, Pancho Segura downed Dinky Pails, 6-4, 6-2.—United Press.

More Rudeness

Sir—A signal in response to "Ex-serviceman" of yesterday's "China Mail" (22 48).

SIGNAL: — To "Ex-serviceman."

"Ex-servicemen" are not exactly at a premium nowadays and it seems a shame to snub what little dignity is left in the title by using it as a shield in what appears to be developing into a private brawl.

So, don't be shy. If, as you hint in your letter, you are so well-known about Hong Kong, your own name will carry much more weight than your pseudonym.

To repeat, put up or shut up. Otherwise, pull your head in, mate.

J.W.H. PEARSON.
(The sentiments expressed are Mr. Pearson's own and do not represent the policy of this paper. Providing his identity is known to the Editor, as in this case, "Ex-serviceman" is as much at liberty to express his views as Mr. Pearson and under a pseudonym if he sees fit.—Editor.)

Softball

Sir—Being a keen spectator of softball, and one who hasn't missed a game so far, I am very disgusted with some of the write ups, also with "A Ball Player."

The Bees were within their rights in claiming a walkover from the Wildcats, who have no ground to protest against the rules laid down by the Softball Association, and as for "A Ball Player" it is quite clear that he is a close fan of the untamed felines.

The insinuation that the Bees claimed a walk over from the Wildcats as to better the Aces, their sister team is quite untrue. I'm sure the Aces can stand on their own without such help. "A Ball Player" should know that any team keen enough to enter a league would not STOOPE LOW as to do such a thing.

As for the 30 minutes the manager of the Bees not only so kindly granted, he gave them another 15 minutes extra and DID NOT WALK OUT OF THE FIELD BEFORE THE TIME WAS OVER the opposing team arrived 5 minutes after with two

BUSY BEES LOST THEIR STING

(By "Grandstand")
The Busy Bees lost their sting when Chief Wahoo Terry Noronha on the slab for the Owls limited the folks from Madcapville to three scattered singles to hand out a 28-0 calamity—the worst recorded so far.

The Wahoons, having cast jaded glances at the "China Mail" Shield, can now afford to look through rose-tinted lenses as they head down the final stretch with a town in hailing form of the hitting mainstay—Patsy Ribeiro collecting five safeties in six batting attempts and Terry Noronha coming up with a neat—300 with three in six. Even rookie Hilda "Cookie" Olsen managed to connect safely twice in three times.

Hilda Soares, one of the original Big Threes, however, still remained in a slump and only patted the apple safely once in five times, but it was a round-tripper that lost itself in the far away spaces beyond center field. Patsy Ribeiro, hustling him-snatcher for the Owls also snatched Yollie Franco for a homer which was "labelled" the moment ash men horse-bite.

Terry Noronha, going the route for the Owls, fanned five of the 23 batters to face her and walked none, while losing pitcher Yollie Franco, relieved by Inez "Doozy" Ferreira in the sixth, struck out eight but also issued a similar number of free passes to first base, five of which were handed out in the initial can-do.

With the exception of the third inning, when Hilda Soares homered, the only run scored, the Wahoons notched up their run in clusters. The only time the Bees threatened to score was in the second frame when Celsa Monteiro singled and advanced to third when gardeners Ding Lopes and Elsie Thompson got into each other's way felding the ball.

The Bees threat had an ephemeral existence as Terry Noronha dove down on every pitch and had the next three batters walking back to the bench after swinging futilely.

In the last chapter Bees ball-hawk Aida Xavier attempted to break the string of six horse-collars when she was given a life on a fumble after one away, but this was short-lived as a sparkling twin-killing by Gilly Wingle and Hilda Soares snuffed out all hopes.

Junior League

The Junior League pennant chase has ended down in the cellar with only 2½ games separating the league leading Dare-devils and the

in Tuesday at Palm Beach, Florida.

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Readers' Letters

extra players. What he wrote in the papers is mere childwhishness. I'm sure a lot of people will agree that it's about time "A Ball Player" grew up.

"NEUTRAL."

Appeal

Sir—We should like to appeal through your columns to past members and friends of the Student Christian Movement of Great Britain and Ireland who are at present in Hong Kong. We feel sure that there are many who like the present writers, owe much to the Movement, and it is for them and for any other well-wishers that this letter is intended.

We have recently received news from England that the work of the Movement will be severely crippled if it does not immediately receive increased financial support. The Movement is inter-denominational and international: its object is to help students to understand the Christian faith in relation to their own lives and the needs of the world. This is done by means of its books and conferences, regional, national, and international, and through lectures. Study-groups and practical projects in the Universities and Colleges. For the last fifty years the Movement has done pioneer work in Christian educational and missionary work, in the field of Christian Union, and in bringing Christian thought and action to bear on social, political, racial, and international problems, and has contributed many outstanding leaders. The publications of the S.C.M. Press have a world-wide reputation.

The need and opportunities for Christian leadership are as great today as they have ever been. The Movement can play a vital part in meeting them, but in order to do so it must greatly increase its annual income. This can only be done if new subscribers are forthcoming immediately. The situation is most urgent. We would urge any who feel grateful, as we do, for its work in the past, and believe in its future, to become regular subscribers (or to increase their present subscription). This can

be done by sending direct to the General Secretary, Annandale, North End Road, London, N.W.11, or to any of the undersigned in Hong Kong, who will gladly acknowledge any sums received and forward them to London.

Yours etc/

Frank Ashton,
Gerold and Mary Goodban,
Winifred I. Griffin,
R.O. Hall (Bishop),
(Mr. & Mrs.) G.S.P. Heywood,
A.W. Hurrell,
Frank H. Kwok,
Alice Kwok,
E.W.L. Martin,
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A.P. Rose,
J.E. Sandbach,
George and Dorothy She,
Frank Short,
Annie Sydenham,
Wong Man M.D.,
Wong Sek To,
I.S. Wan,
Arthur Woo,
T.C. Yip M.D.

Loretta

Sir—I consider it a scandal that the American film actress, Miss Loretta Young, should be asked to retract her statements with regard to her conditions in England, when everything she has said is well known to be perfectly true.

That she has been treated as she has by such papers as the "Sunday Herald" and so called representatives of the English people, is a national disgrace.

Obviously the present Government endeavours to hide its hopeless inadequacies and the miseries of the people as best it can, but anyone who has spoken to and lived amongst the poorer classes it is supposed to have helped, not to mention the wretched middle and upper classes, it unnecessarily and continually attempts to degrade, have quite a different story to tell.

My sincere apologies to Miss Young for the lack of honesty and good manners she has been shown.

T. B.

INDIAN POLICE RAIDS ON 'U.S. Threat' To Soviet Frontiers

London, Feb. 2.
Russia charged in a note to Iran that the activities of the American Military Mission in that country constitute a threat to the Soviet frontiers, the Moscow Radio said today.

The note, according to a Tass despatch from Tehran, claimed American officers were directing the erection of fortifications along the frontier and that American advisers were directing the building of airfields along the border.

The radio said the Russian note was delivered to the Iranian Government on Saturday by Soviet Ambassador Ivan Sadchikov.

A Tass despatch from Tabriz, Iran, last Friday said a number of northern sectors in Iranian Azerbaijan had been declared closed zones, with access permitted only to American military advisers.

The area lies just south of the Soviet Socialist Republic of Azerbaijan.—Associated Press.

Died

The last run was scored in the final chapter when Chico Castillo slashed out a single with one aboard. The longest hit of the fracas came from the smallest player on the Bengali roster—Harland Taylor, who incidentally is the smallest player in the loop. Harley poked out a three-bagger to deep right, but died on the sacks.

Les Castro is finding his main trouble in erratic backing by his fielders, as was proved by Saturday's game between the Cosmos and the Wildfires. Les Castro started on the mound and soon gave that job up to plug up the gap in the windy alley, only to return in pitching again after relief hurler Sonny Wright had his infielders dizzy on a merry-go-round of walking six.

Wildfires in succession.

Les Castro, who was fighting a losing battle from the start, had good support from him-snatching Eddie Lawrence, but was robbed of a hat trick in the opening stanza of retiring the side on three pitched balls when hot corner guardian Tap Abraham muffed one which plunked right into his mitt. The Cosmos, finished up at the worst end of a 13-6 score, but not before Les Castro had realised his "hat trick"—the last three batters popped out easily on exactly three losses of Leslie's creaking arm.

Arson, Looting

Bombay, Feb. 2.
A mob tried to burn the House of a member of the militant Hindu Mahasabha (Great Hindu Organisation) here today.

Soon after, crowds embittered by the murder of Gandhi increased their efforts to stop traffic and close shops. Troops began patrolling the port area for the first time since disturbances started last Friday night. Few workers went to their jobs.

The Poona correspondent of the "National Standard," a Bombay newspaper, telephoned that in Singli, 200 miles southeast of here, a big textile mill had been burned and that damage in the city was estimated at more than 10,000,000 rupees (about US\$3,000,000).

Arson and looting was rampant in Bombay yesterday.—Associated Press.

Gold Bar Appeal

Dismissed

An appeal by Chow Yung-sze, 44, widow, and her married daughter, Chow Sui-ye, against their conviction by Mr. Blair-Kerr, Kowloon Magistrate, was yesterday dismissed by Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Puisne Judge), on the ground that no recognizances had been entered into in accordance with the provisions of Section 118 (e) (2) of the Magistrate's Ordinance.

Mr. J. Reynolds appeared for the Crown, while the appellants were represented by Mr. A.S.C. Comber of Messrs. Hastings & Company.

The appellants had been cautioned by Mr. Blair-Kerr for importing gold into the Colony and an order made that the gold be confiscated to the Import and Export Department.

Mr. Comber subsequently made an application to Mr. Blair-Kerr for a review of the sentence, but the latter refused to alter his decision.

The appeal yesterday was based on the following general grounds:

That the Magistrate was wrong in holding that the application for a review under Section 99 of the Magistrate's Ordinance was contrary to the intention of the Legislature.

That the appellants, immediately on landing at Kai Tak Airport, declared their gold to the Revenue Officer when asked.

That the appellants declared their gold to the Revenue Officer in Peking and Shanghai when asked and that they were told that as they were travelling from one part of China to another, namely, from Peking to Canton, that they might carry the gold.

That the appellants were transient passengers from one part of China to another and that they landed in Hong Kong because of the more convenient air service and the fact that there was no speedy direct air route between Peking and Canton.

General Grounds

That the appellants had no intention of entering the Colony and remaining here longer than was necessary to change planes.

That transient passengers have no opportunity, before declaring their gold, to obtain the necessary import permit to remove the gold from an aeroplane on the ground to Kai Tak and to obtain the necessary export permit to remove the gold to another aeroplane to continue their journey, before the gold is seized by the Revenue Officer.

That the gold bars were the chop of the Chungking Government.

POLICE RAIDS ON EXTREMISTS' HOMES

New Delhi, Feb. 2.
Pandit Nehru, Prime Minister, solemnly promised the Indian legislature in the name of Gandhi today to put down violence in the country. In a matter of hours, the police in Delhi and other cities began raiding the homes and offices of Hindu extremists.

It is believed an extremist plot resulted in the slaying of the Mahatma. The raids were on the haunts of members of the extremist groups Rashtriya Sevak Sangh and the Hindu organisation, Mahasabha.

Nehru, addressed the Assembly in a scene of high ceremonial in which he and other speakers referred to the "holy ground" across which Gandhi trod.

Outside, extra police guards tightened all security measures around the Assembly building to assure that Nehru and the other Ministers would not be victims of revengeful bullets by extremist co-religionist Hindus, one of whom confessed to slaying Gandhi.

Elsewhere in India, hatred fared higher. In Bombay, buses and transport were stalled. Crowds of wildly shouting teenagers roamed the city, forcing shops to close.

The rioting in Bombay and elsewhere was Hindu against Hindu rather than the customary bloodlust between Hindus, Sikhs and Muslims.

In the first outbreak in Calcutta, the crowds tried to fire the home of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee, the last President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha and Minister of Industries and Supplies in the Nehru Government. Part of the house was

burned and its windows smashed. Nehru called for Hindus to cease rioting and make themselves worthy of Gandhi's memory.

Not Isolated Act
He said: "This tragedy is not merely an isolated act of a madman. This comes from the atmosphere of violence and hatred that has prevailed for many months and years. That atmosphere surrounds and envelops us and if we are to serve the cause of India, we have to face this atmosphere, combat it, struggle against it and root out the evils of hatred and violence."

The private secretary of Viceroy Lord Patten has denied flatly the reports quoting Patten as saying that Government was aware of a plot against the lives of Nehru and Patel for their softness toward the Moslem Dominion of Pakistan.

He said no such statement had been given, that it was untrue and that it was regrettable "any statement of such a nature was broadcast at a time when investigation is in progress.—United Press.

Arson, Looting
Bombay, Feb. 2.
A mob tried to burn the House of a member of the militant Hindu Mahasabha (Great Hindu Organisation) here today.

Soon after, crowds embittered by the murder of Gandhi increased their efforts to stop traffic and close shops. Troops began patrolling the port area for the first time since disturbances started last Friday night. Few workers went to their jobs.

The Poona correspondent of the "National Standard," a Bombay newspaper, telephoned that in Singli, 200 miles southeast of here, a big textile mill had been burned and that damage in the city was estimated at more than 10,000,000 rupees (about US\$3,000,000).

Arson and looting was rampant in Bombay yesterday.—Associated Press.

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